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OUTLINES.

The postoffice at Indianola, Miss., from which the postmaster, a colored woman, recently resigned under compulsion, has been ordered closed by authorities in Washington. —— Dutch steamer Dordrecht, from Pensacola for Bremen with cotton, arrived at Hamilton, Bermuda, with cargo on fire. —— New Orleans and San Francisco railroad chartered at New Orleans. —— Six fatalities among boys at Norfolk, Va., caused by burns from toy pistols on Christmas are reported. —— Fire at Gaaden, Ala.; loss $30,000. —— The Sugar Trust announces that hereafter all sales will be on a net cash basis. —— The Pressed Steel Car Company proposes to shares its profits with its employes. —— An explosion and cave-in caused by settling of mine workings occurred near Scranton, Pa., a hotel and residences were swallowed up and the buildings took fire after sinking —— N. Y. markets: Money on call firm at 4@15 per cent; cotton—quiet at 4 per cent; flour—was firm but steady; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 79c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 58c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 38½c; rosin—firm. spirits turpentine firm.

WEATHER REPORT

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 2.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 58 degrees; 8 P. M., 67 degrees; maximum, 67 degrees; minimum, 54 degrees; mean, 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, trace; rainfall since 1st of month to date, trace.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—For North Carolina: Fair in west, rain and colder in east portion Saturday; Sunday fair, fresh west to nothwest winds.

"Gas" Addicks, who is scrimmaging to be elected U. S. Senator from Delaware, has captured one more vote; but he is still four short.

In portions of the West, where wood is scarce and coal hard to get, the farmers are burning corn. It is well for them that they have "corn to burn."

Carrie Nation is said to have gone back to Kansas with $5,000, made in the East. But we haven't heard any report that she hatcheted any bank, or murdered any body.

Dr. Lorenz, the famous Austrian surgeon, sailed from New York for home last Wednesday. He likes this country so well that he will return and make a tour of it with his family.

The New York Board of Health says lemon juice may be all right for destroying the typhoid germs in water—but the surest way is to boil the water, and it saves lemon juice.

John D. Rockefeller made the Chicago University a Christmas gift of $1,000,000 and then ran the price of oil up, raking in $2,400,000 for his share of the raise, leaving him $1,400,000 ahead.

It is said that one of the reasons why President Roosevelt felt inclined to act as arbitrator in the Venezuela case was because it would give him an opportunity to jaw the South American Republics.

The total number of immigrants arriving at New York from January last to and including December was 545,750 against 407,703 for 1901. The largest number came from Italy, the next largest from Austria-Hungary.

Marconi is quoted as saying that when his wireless system is completed messages can be sent across the Atlantic for one cent a word. Cheap talk that. Mr. Marconi should be encouraged by all persons who are not interested in the copper cable business.

There were fewer "Trusts" organized last year than in 1901, and more competing plants. The total capitalization of all industrial consolidations, including bonds, was $1,112,-205,200; of competing companies $224,800,000, and of miscellaneous corporations nearly $1,300,000,000.

Some of the grievances charged to the Sultan of Morocco, against whom a revolution has started, was that he wore and encouraged the wearing of clothes built on the European and American plans, and rode automobiles. The faithful think he ought to be bounced for that.

Mr. Wu Ting-fang says the American people are great but not happy, while his people are happy but not great. Greatness and happiness are a good deal like oil and water. They do not assimilate readily. But it doesn't take much to make the Chinaman happy, which is all the better for the Chinaman.

DEEDED TO UNCLE SAM.

Transfer of Wharf Property to United States Government for $14,250—Other Real Estate Changes.

Some time ago it was announced that the valuable wharf property belonging to the Parsley estate and adjoining the Custom House site in this city, had been sold to the United States government. A deed conveying the property, according to the terms of the purchase, was filed yesterday for record at the Court House. The consideration named in the deed is $14,250 and the property is divided into two tracts. The first is the store building occupied by Williams Bros. on North Water street, having a frontage of 30 feet and running back into the block along Ewing's alley 77 feet. The other is the wharf opposite, fronting 104 feet on Water street. The conveyance is signed by Geo. D. Parsley and wife; W. L. Parsley and wife, Walter Rutland and wife, Miss Mary M. Parsley, Robert A. Parsley, T. E. Sprunt and wife, H. M. Emerson and wife, Henry Savage and wife, Miss Elizabeth P. Peck and Henry N. Parsley.

Other deeds filed for record yesterday were as follows:

Mrs. Alice Lippitt to Thos. Lossen, lot on east side of Third, between Dawson and Wright streets, 33x165 feet in size; consideration, $175.

Andrew J. Walker and wife to Benjamin Brown, lot on north side of Nixon, between Fifth and Sixth streets, 30x133 feet in size; consideration, $450.

R. E. Williams to Jno. H. Brunjes, lot on east side of Fourth, between Harnett and Swann streets, 28x105 feet in size consideration, $945.

CLEVER BURGLAR'S OPERATION.

Robbed the Residence of Mr. Chas. E. McMillen and Secured a Watch.

The residence of Mr. Charles E. McMillen, the architect, No. 114 North Seventh street, was entered by a burglar one night this week and a valuable watch was stolen from a vest pocket of Mr. McMillen. Entrance was effected through a window and although a light was burning in the room and persons were asleep there, the intruder escaped without detection. The vest was taken from the room, robbed of the timepiece and then thrown back through the window. The watch was a double-cased one and one of the lids was off and in another part of the room, awaiting repairs on the following day. Mr. McMillen says if the "gentleman" will call again he will furnish him with the remainder of the case so that he may have the repairs made.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The Drunkard's heart, the Drunkard's home and the Drunkard's hell," will be Dr. Blackwell's subject at the first Baptist church Sunday night.

— In its list of golf scores in the tournament Thursday, the STAR unintentionally omitted the name of Capt. Donald MacRae, whose gross score was 139; handicap 27; net score 112.

— Mr. L. J. King, of this city, expects to engage part of his time in travelling, doing evangelistic and mission work, in the way of distribution of religious tracts, etc., in the near future.

— Mr. John L. Corbett, a venerable citizen of the county residing on Middle Sound, died this week at the advanced age of 73. Deceased was a gallant Confederate soldier and served in Southerland's battery.

— The British schooner *Mabel Darling* which brought a cargo of fruit from the West Indies before the holidays, cleared yesterday on the return trip to Nassau, laden with a cargo of shingles, tar, pitch, moulding and spars, consigned by J. A. Springer & Co.

Death of an Infant.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Davis, 509 Wooster street, will sympathize with them in the death of their infant son, Julius Augustus, which occurred Thursday night. The funeral was conducted yesterday afternoon by Rev. C. B. Paul, pastor of Southside Baptist church, and the remains were interred in Bellevue.

Marriage in the Country.

Announcement is made of the forthcoming marriage of Miss Catharine Martindale, daughter of Mr. Henry Martindale, of Masonboro township, to Mr. Charles H. Casteen, of Castle Haynes. Both the parties to the marriage vow are well known in the county and there will be much interest in this announcement.

Death in Pender County.

Miss Bertha Stokes, the young daughter of Mr. Wiley Stokes, of Holly township, Pender county, died yesterday, aged 18 years. She had been ill with consumption for a long time and her death, while not unexpected, was a great shock to friends. Mr. J. W. Burton came down to the city last evening for a casket in which to inter the remains.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

C. O. Alexander—Groceries.
James M. Hall—Drug notes.
J. W. Murchison & Co.—Hardware.
Charles Anderson & Co.—The Only Restaurant.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Gas fixtures.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Portable drop light.

SEWERAGE RATES.

Patrons of the Old Company Will Resist an Advance of the Original Schedule.

MEETING HELD YESTERDAY.

Committee Appointed to Employ Counsel and a Fund Raised for That Purpose. Are the Contracts Valid?—Lively Discussion of the Question.

In response to a call published in the city papers fifty or more subscribers to the service of the Wilmington Sewerage Company before its absorption by Philadelphia capitalists, met at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of considering the recent advance in rates, notice of which had just been received from the home office, and for which it is claimed there is no warrant in law or justice. As a result of the meeting a fund was raised to fight the advance in the courts, and a committee was appointed to carry out that plan of action. At least a hundred other property owners, interested in the movement, but who were detained on account of the rough weather, will be asked to join in the fight, and many have already signified their willingness to do so.

Mr. Marsden Bellamy called the meeting to order. Mr. B. F. Hall was made chairman and Mr. F. E. Hashagen secretary. The chairman asked the committee which had called the meeting—Col. Walker Taylor and Messrs. Wm. Gilchrist and Geo. S. LeGrand—to state the object. The request was responded to by Col. Taylor, who explained that by virtue of a contract which original subscribers had with the Sewerage Company before its reorganization, they were to receive the service perpetually upon payment of $35 connection fee and $4 annually or $50 connection fee and $3 annually thereafter; that the reorganized company had accepted payment of dues for the past two years upon that basis and it was understood there would be no advance from those rates; that the connection fee had been paid at the start by the subscribers and he did not think it right for the same company under the same charter to repudiate an apparent contract; to make an arbitrary advance in rates equal to four or five times as much as they had been paying.

Mr. Hall asked if the legal status of the matter had been investigated and Col. Taylor said that he had conferred with Marsden Bellamy, Esq., whom he asked to give the result of any investigation he had made in reference to the question. Mr. Bellamy said he thought the contracts perfectly valid and binding upon the reorganized company. He said he had made a tender of his usual individual dues to the local office of the company and it had been refused, except as part payment at the advanced rate. He said that the matter could be fought in the courts by injunction in case the service was discontinued for non-payment of the higher fee and advised that procedure in the light of the investigation thus far made. He said it was true that the company could change its by-laws at any time, but he did not think a contract could be vitiated that was made under existing by-laws.

Messrs. R. C. Cantwell, Timothy Donlan, S. H. Fishblate, H. E. Bonitz, R. M. McIntire, H. J. Gerken and others discussed the merits of the objection and it was easily seen that a determined body of men had gathered for a fixed purpose—to fight the advance to the bitter end. Mr. Cantwell said the old company declared a dividend of 39½ per cent. for five years and it could hardly be argued that the old rates were too low. Mr. Hall said that it should be granted, however, that the large dividends came largely from connection fees and not from dues.

Messrs. Marsden Bellamy and Herbert McClammy, both of whom were present, gave it as their opinion that the company is bound by the old contracts, so long as it operates under the old charter. Mr. Bellamy suggested that if it came to the "pinch" the Corporation Commission could be asked to take a hand and regulate rates.

After further discussion, upon motion of Mr. R. C. Cantwell, it was carried unanimously that each subscriber present be assessed $3, or so much thereof as is needed, and that the same be placed at once in the hands of a committee of five to fight the matter of the advanced rates in the courts. It was also ordered, upon motion of Mr. S. H. Fishblate, that all others who desire to advantage themselves of the litigation, be requested to call upon the committee and assist in the movement by payment of the assessment and that the chairman appoint the committee, which he did, naming Messrs. Wm. Gilchrist, Walker Taylor, R. C. Cantwell, Geo. S. LeGrand and B. Solomon. The committee subsequently met and elected Mr. Gilchrist chairman and Col. Walker Taylor treasurer, to whom all parties interested are respectfully invited to send amounts of their assessments. Those present at the meeting yesterday were:

B. F. Hall, F. E. Hashagen, Timothy Donlan, Martin Schnibben, F. W. Ortmann, William Goodman, D. McEachern, R. C. Cantwell, J. C Springer, Andrew Smith, R. M. McIntyre, A. David, Sol. Bear, A. G. Warren, William Flanagan, Geo. S. LeGrand, Walker Taylor, H. E. Bonitz, P. H. Hayden, E. B. Pleasants, H. A. Kure, Thos. Evans, D. Russell Foster, M. F. Croom, M. W. Jacobi, M. Rosenmann, J. A. Springer, Geo. Haar, S. H. Fishblate, William Gilchrist, W. E. Perdew, D. O'Connor, Marsden Bellamy, Victor Zoeller, J. Well, B. Solomon, D. L. Gore, Herbert McClammy, H. J. Gerken, B. H. J. Ahrens, F. H. Russell, D. McEachern, Thos. H. Wright, M. S. Willard.

THE METROPOLITAN LIFE.

New Offices of an Old and Reliable Company Established in Wilmington. Already Prospering.

A representative of the STAR yesterday had the pleasure of a visit to the local offices of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, of New York, Rooms 11 and 12 in the Masonic Temple. Mr. Joseph Jacobs, the courteous and energetic superintendent with his staff of enterprising agents were found busy as bees caring for the already large and growing patronage of the widely known and reliable company which they represent.

The offices are handsomely fitted up and contain every appointment for the convenient handling of the business that is sure to reward the watchword "Progress" that seems to obtain in the Wilmington superintendency Improvements are still under way and a few months will find the offices of the Metropolitan in this city the prettiest to be found anywhere. Business was begun by the Wilmington superintendency on Nov. 15th and already official bulletins from the home office show that this district leads all others in the State.

The following corps of popular North Carolinians are already on Mr. Jacobs' staff of agents and others are being added as fast as possible, viz: Alex. S. Holden, C. T. Smaw, Jno. H. LeGwin, Walter D. Parker and Capt. R. M. McIntyre. These agents are hustling for any kind of life insurance known to the civilized world, all of which is written by the Metropolitan.

While visiting Mr. Jacobs' offices yesterday the reporter was shown an excellent picture of the home offices in New York. The building has recently been tripled in size and now takes up the entire valuable block bounded by Madison and Fourth avenues and 23rd and 24th streets. It has a continuous frontage of 860 feet, is 11 stories or 163 feet in heighth, with basement and sub-cellar. It contains 325,-000 square feet of floor area and is fire proof. The fronts are all faced in white Tuckahoe marble and designed in early Italian Renaissance style of architecture. Mr. Jacobs, the Wilmington superintendent, will attend the annual convention of Metropolitan superintendents in New York Jan. 30th and 31st and is looking forward to a most pleasant visit. His company has great prospects in Wilmington.

AN INSTALLATION AND COLLATION

Hanover Lodge of Odd Fellows Enjoyed a Delightful Session Last Night.

At last night's regular meeting of Hanover Lodge No. 145, I. O. O. F., officers were installed for the ensuing six months. The installing officers were District Deputy Grand Master W. L. Smith, assisted by Past Grands E. N. Penny, E. F. Johnson, J. W. Fleet and R. P. Johnson. The officers installed are as follows:

P. G.—N. F. Parker.
N. G.—E. L. McClammy.
V. G.—A. Silvermann.
Secretary—S. G. Hall.
F. S.—B. W. Dunham.
Treasurer—W. H. Howell.
Warden—E. F. Lewis.
Conductor—S. B. Bryant.
Organist—J. W. Fleet.
R. S. to N. G.—William Ruble.
L. S. to N. G.—J. L. Brimer.
R. S. to V. G.—J. Jordan.
L. S. to V. G.—F. L. Walker.
R. S. S.—J. L. Grafflin.
L. S. S.—J. W. Curtis.
I. G.—J. W. Orrell.
O. G.—M. C. Rayner.
Chaplain—J. O. Jones.

After the exercises the lodge enjoyed a collation of oysters and other refreshments. The affair was a delightful one and a large number of enthusiastic Odd Fellows were in attendance.

A Fight on Second Street.

A. R. Herring, a young white man of the city, gave bond of $35 in Justice McGowan's court yesterday for his appearance in the higher court next week to answer the charge of an assault with a deadly weapon upon James Donnelly, also white. The young men engaged in an affray on Second, between Market and Princess streets, Thursday afternoon and Donnelly alleges that Herring struck him with a brick. Constable Savage, who came upon the scene and made the arrests, says that he also got a "whack" on the head from a flying brick.

Mr. "Jack" Clement Married.

Mr. John B. Clement, a popular young shoe salesman, who made Wilmington his home until about two years ago, arrived in the city Thursday night from Augusta, Ga., accompanied by his bride, who was Miss Sarah Fleming, of Augusta. Mr. and Mrs. Clement left yesterday for Wallace to visit the groom's old home. Returning to Augusta in a few days they will stop in Wilmington and visit friends.

Gardner & Lacey Had a Fire.

A special from Georgetown, S. C., dated Jan. 1st, says: "A destructive fire visited the large lumber plant of Gardner & Lacey early this morning, entirely destroying the planing mills. The plant is over the river on a peninsular and, as no vessels had on steam at the hour, the fire engines could not get to the flames. Splendid work was done by the department, however, and the flames were subdued, but not before they had destroyed property worth $10,500, on which there was insurance amounting to $6,000."

Superior Court Next Week.

New Hanover Superior Court for the trial of criminal cases only will be convened Monday, Judge Robert B. Peebles, of Northampton county, presiding for his first term. There are about 53 cases for trial but none of them is of very great importance.

HOLIDAY GERMANS.

Two Delightful Dances Were Enjoyed by the Young People Last Night.

CLOSE OF BRILLIANT SERIES.

Miss Cammie Lord Delightfully Entertained Her Night Class and Young Men at Home from College—Pretty Impromptu Affair.

The series of unusually brilliant dances that have been a delightful feature of the holidays with the young people in Wilmington this season came to a close last night with two beautiful germans, the first given by Miss Cammie Lord in compliment to her night dancing class and the young men of the city who are at home from college for the holidays, and the second, an impromptu german given by a number of young men complimentary to their young friends, in the Masonic Temple.

The german given by Miss Lord was in Germania Hall and continued from 9 to 11 o'clock. The room was gayly decorated for the event with holly, bamboo, mistletoe, palms, ferns, etc., while from each chandelier was suspended a cluster of Japanese lanterns, shedding a soft and varr-colored light upon the group of merry dancers. About forty couples participated and the event was a great success beyond peradventure. The figures were led in most approved manner by Mr. Harry G. Smallbones, Jr., and many of them were new and intricate. The music was by Hollowbush's Orchestra, which is engaged for all Miss Lord's germans, and a number of spectators gathered in the west end of the hall to watch the skilful executions by the dancers.

Many of those who participated in the german, later went to the Masonic Temple ball room to enjoy the festivities in progress there.

The impromptu dance commenced at 11 o'clock and continued until 3 o'clock this morning. The handsome ball room of the Temple was never more resplendent than upon this occasion and upwards of fifty couples participated in the festivities. The music was by Hollowbush's Orchestra and the figures were led artistically by Mr. George P. James, assisted by Messrs Charles Elliott and Clayton Giles, Jr. Among the couples participating were the following.

Miss Annabelle Latimer, Mr. Preston Cumming, Jr.; Miss Olive Armstrong, Mr. Paul Cantwell; Miss Agnes Jones, of Danville, Mr. Zach Bell; Miss Bessie Payne, Dr. R. E. Zachary; Miss Julia Parsley, Mr. Clarence Myers; Miss Potts, Mr. Ted Brown; Miss Virginia Bailey, Mr. Walter Storm; Miss Lilly Gilchrist, Mr. E. S. Nash; Miss Margaret Ashe, Mr. H. R. Falson; Miss Nellie McMillan, Mr. Joe Armstrong; Mrs. Geo. F. Fletcher, Mr. Horace Hunter; Miss Eliza Metts, Mr. Willie Smith; Miss Jeanie Peck, Mr. Geo. Parsley; Miss Octavia Boatwright, Mr. Robert H. Gwaltney; Miss Beaulah Armstrong, Mr. Emmett Crow; Miss Meta LeGrand, Mr. Geo. G. Thomas, Jr.; Miss Sarah Catlett, Mr. Norwood Orrell; Miss Jones, of Norfolk, Mr. Joseph Watters; Miss Bessie Gore, Mr. Willie Emerson; Miss Dozier, of Columbus, Ga.; Mr. Marsden Bellamy, Jr.; Miss Lillie Sears, Mr. Willie Watters; Miss Perry, of Berkley, Va.; Mr. Waddell Watters; Miss Mary Belle Sneed, Mr. Christopher Pierce; Miss Moore, of Indiana, Mr. Willie Walker; Miss Janie Williams, Mr. Benj. Bell, Jr.; Miss Nellie Emerson, Mr. Milton Calder; Miss Leonora Cantwell, Mr. Henry McMillan; Miss Ida Brown, Mr. Meyer Weaver; Miss Alice LeGrand, Mr. Willie Gore; Miss Bessie Burruss, Mr. Robert Calder; Miss Muncaster, Mr. Charles Muncaster; Miss Eliza Drane, of Edenton, Mr. Tom Meares; Miss Mary Wiggins, Mr. Norwood Giles; Miss Mary Cantwell, Mr. Marion James; Miss Daisy Burbank, Mr. Norwood Huske.

Stags—Messrs. Horace Emerson, Willie Peschau, Charles Elliott, Dr. Pride J. Thomas, Clayton Giles, Jr., Geo. P. James, Platt W. Davis, Reston Stevenson, Ernest Peschau, Willie Peck, Hargrove Taylor and Henry B. Peschau.

PRETTY WEDDING AT DUNN, N. C.

Mr. T. H. McNeill, Formerly of This City, Married Christmas Eve.

The numerous friends in this city of Mr. Thomas H. McNeill, formerly of Wilmington, but now editor of the *Democratic Banner*, of Dunn, N. C., will be interested in the announcement of his marriage, which took place in the parlors of the Oates Hotel at 7:30 o'clock Christmas eve.

The bride was Miss Bertha Gerald, the charming young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Gerald, late of Kansas City, and the ceremony was performed in a beautiful manner by the Rev. W. B Morton in the presence of a party of friends, among whom were Mr. A. B. Harold with the bridegroom, Misses Annye Harper and Ora Wilson with Messrs. C. R. Young and A. L. Newberry, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Privett and Miss Viola McNeill and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wilson.

After the ceremony the company repaired to the home of the groom's father, Mr. H. C. McNeill, where a delightful reception was held. On the following evening a reception was given the bride and groom at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Privett, the last named being a sister of the groom.

— Mr. G. C. Simmons was called to Clinton, N. C. Thursday evening by a telegram informing him of the death of his father. The funeral was conducted yesterday.

POULTRY SHOW NEXT WEEK.

Every Indication That It Will Be a Tremendous Success—Exhibits Will Begin Arriving To-day.

The poultry and pet stock show, under the auspices of the Wilmington Association, will open next Tuesday and continue through the week. That it will be a success, no one will doubt after a brief talk with any one of the half dozen or more enterprising fanciers who have arrangements for the exhibit in hand.

It is true that there has been very little "newspaper talk" about what the Association will have for the public on this occasion, but the managers have been quietly at work and the opening next Tuesday will be a revelation to the skeptical.

Yesterday the coops and benches were being placed in the City Hall and the several committees worked until late last night, getting everything in readiness. A number of the exhibits from a distance will get here to-day and to-morrow and on Monday there will be a flurry in the hall among the local exhibitors.

Everybody remembers the tremendous success of the fair last year and they may expect still greater things this season. The number of exhibits will be nearly twice as large and the variety will also be very much greater. The show will be open convenient hours, night and day.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

— Mr. Henry Clark Bridgers returned to Tarboro yesterday.

— Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Wallace and little daughter have returned from a pleasant visit to Kenansville.

— Mr. Fred W. Bonitz has gone to the Columbian University in Washington to take a course in civil engineering.

— Miss Helen Dozier, of Columbus, Ga., is in the city on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Holmes, No. 218 North Third street.

— Mr. J. T. Foy, representative-elect to the Legislature from Pender county; Messrs. Dozier Foy, F. M. Foy and D. R. Ormsby, all of Scott's Hill, were in the city yesterday.

— Mr. M. McKinnon, who has been connected the past several months with the Crescent Pharmacy, on Princess street, left, yesterday for his home at Red Springs, N. C. He expects to return to the city later to take another position.

"PECK'S BAD BOY" TO-DAY.

It Will Be Presented at Matinee and Night Performance at Academy.

Two clever and up-to-date performances of "Peck's Bad Boy" will be given at the Academy to-day. The first will be given this afternoon and will be especially for children, though it will be given with as much detail as the night performance. All electrical effects and the Academy's own splendid orchestra will be used. At the matinee the prices have been greatly reduced and will only be 10 cents for children and 25 cents for adults; and for this performance the doors will open promptly at 2:15 o'clock. To-night there will be another reduction, the prices being from 10 to 50 cents.

Seats for to night's performance can now be purchased at Plummer's.

N. C. SCHOOL FOR DEAF AND DUMB.

Recommendations to Legislature—Special Term of Lenoir Court—Raleigh News.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 2.—The sixth biennial report of the North Carolina school for Deaf and Dumb at Morganton was presented to the Governor today. It shows an attendance of 237, with an average cost of $180 per child. Recommendations are made that the maintenance fund be increased $7,500, making $47,500, and that $3,500 be allowed for permanent improvements. It is urged that the Legislature provide a school for the feeble-minded.

Gov. Aycock to-day issued a commission to Judge E. B. Jones, of Winston, to hold a special civil term of Lenoir county court, January 12.

The Secretary of State issued a charter to-day to the E. S. Chesson Mercantile Co., of Elizabeth City, capital $25,000.

Church Notices.

First Baptist Church, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor. 11 A. M.: "The Death of Friends." 7:30 P. M., "The Drunkard's Heart, the Drunkard Home and the Drunkard's Hell."

Bladen Street Methodist Church, corner of Fifth and Bladen streets, Rev. Geo. B. Webster, pastor. Services Sunday 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, J. B. Taylor, superintendent, 3:30 P. M; Mid-week praise service Wednesday 7:30 P. M. A cordial welcome to all.

First Presbyterian Church, Rev. John M. Wells, Ph. D., pastor. Divine services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M., conducted by the pastor. Sunday school at 4 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited to all services. Seats free.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 8.00 p. m. Sunday School, W. B. Cooper, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited. Seats free.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick Sts. Rev. J. L. Vipperman, pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M. Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Front street near Queen. Services to-morrow by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Trawick, at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, A. M. Hall Superintendent, at 3:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, conducted by the Christian Endeavor Society. The public cordially invited.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Rev. Dr. Dickinson rector. Morning service and sermon at 11 A. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M., evening service and sermon at 7:45 P. M. Seats free. Strangers cordially invited.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be services every Sunday night at 8 o'clock. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster. Services Sunday at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8 o'clock. Young Men's meeting Friday night at 8 o'clock.

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From Schooner Mellie Trooper, $46.00 ton: 3c pound for less than ton.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the next General Assembly for the passage of an Act granting a charter to the Elizabeth City and Carolina Through Line Railroad Co., (or other name suggested at time of making application) to build a railroad from Wilmington, N. C., to Elizabeth City, N. C.

January 1st, 1903.

Jan 2 1m ROBERT G. GRADY.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HAVE YOU SEEN OUR LINE OF

Gas Fixtures.

Which we are selling at cost.

If not it will pay you to call and see our display.

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Hardware of every description at the very closest prices. We buy in car load lots and can sell cheaper than those who buy in smaller quantities.

Complete line of Agricultural Implements and Mechanics' Tools. We can sell you from a Tack Hammer to a Steam Engine, and from a Plow Point to the latest improved Farming Machinery.

Fine stock of Cutlery, Guns, Pistols and Sporting Goods. Loaded Shells with Black or Smokeless Powder. Hunting Suits, Game Bags, etc.

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High quality 10c Cigar.

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No better 5c Cigar.

We guarantee the sale of these goods, so if not sold we take them back. We accept the risk, you get the gain. You are safe on a trade of that kind. If the goods did not have both quality and merit we would not talk so loud. Try them for

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Drug Notes.

To the Public Generally:

I am and have been for the past half year running a first class Drug Store in every particular—carrying a full line of purest drugs and chemicals, toilet articles, sundries, stationery, smokers' materials, etc., all at down town prices. Mr Percy Hall, my assistant, and myself, have both had a large amount of practical drug store experience, having been reared in our father's store, besides experience in other stores. Hence we feel that we are prepared to compound any and all prescriptions in a competent manner. We refer you to the physicians of this city as to our ability and integrity. We fill your prescriptions at any hour of the night at regular day-time prices. Night bell on Castle street door. Asking that you give me a trial and wishing you a happy New Year, I am,

Respectfully,

JAS. M. HALL,

Registered Druggist and Prescription Specialist, Northeast Corner Fifth and Castle streets, Wilmington, N. C.

Both 'Phones. jan 3 1t

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Matinee and Night, January 3rd.

NOW GET WISE.

Peck's Bad Boy.

Come and laugh with us!

Matinee Prices—10 and 25 cents.

Night Prices—10 to 50 cents. dec 31 3t

ATLANTIC COAST LINE R. R. CO.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 30th, 1902.

The Board of Directors of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company have declared a dividend of two and one-half per cent. on the common capital stock of that company. Dividend due and payable at the office of the Treasurer, at Wilmington, N. C., on and after January 10th, 1903. The transfer books will stand closed from December 31st, 1902, to January 10th, 1903.

JAMES F. POST,

dec 31 till Jan. 10. Treasurer.

Lands Posted.

The privilege of hunting on my lands near Wilmington having been leased, all persons are hereby warned against shooting, hunting, ranging or otherwise trespassing on said lands.

nov 9 tf S. W. NOBLE.

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING. JANUARY 3.

THE NEGRO VOTE AS A FACTOR.

The so called "Lily White" movement in the South is considered a good deal of perplexity to the Republican leaders in the North, not so much on account of the negroes in the South as on account of the negroes in the North, where in some States they hold the balance of power, and if voting solidly can decide elections. To what extent this factor figures is shown by the following table giving the number of negroes in the States named and the number of negro voters, according to the census of 1890.

State.	Negro population. 1890.	Negro vote. 1900.
Massachusetts	31,974	10,456
Rhode Island	9,092	2,765
Connecticut	15,226	4,576
New York	9,232	31,425
New Jersey	69,844	21,474
Pennsylvania	156,845	51,668
Delaware	30,697	8,374
Maryland	235,064	60,406
Ohio	96,901	31,235
Indian	57,505	18,186
Illinois	85,078	29,762
Michigan	15,816	5,193
Iowa	12,693	4,441
Missouri	161,234	46,418
Kansas	52,003	14,695
Nebraska	6,269	2,398
Oklahoma	18,831	4,827
Indian Territory	36,853	9,146
Colorado	8,850	3,215
California	11,045	3,711
Kentucky	284,706	74,728
West Virginia	43,499	14,786

There are other Northern and Western states in which there are negro voters, but not enough to materially affect results no matter how they vote. The significance of these figures and the dependence of the Republican party on the negro vote may be realized when we know that with the Southern States voting solidly Democratic as they usually do, it requires but a few of the Northern states to elect a Democratic President. There are several of these states, such as Missouri, Kentucky, Maryland, Delaware and West Virginia, which, eliminating the negro vote, are normally Democratic, while there are several others such as Conneticut, New York, New Jersey and Indiana, which under ordinary conditions can be carried by the Democratic party, if the negro vote do not figure, for the Democrats have carried them repeatedly and they have been looked upon as safely Democratic as some of the border states that we carry but have always have to fight for.

This is the negro vote in those States in 1900. It is larger now in many if not all of them, and according to the claims of some of the negro leaders very much larger; but whether larger or not the figures show why the Republican leaders pander to the negro vote, why they seem to take so much interest in the negro, why there are Crumpacker bills, and why they still insist on appointing negroes to office—in the South.

If it were not for this vote the "Lily White" movement in the South would have not only the assent, but the active co-operation of the Republican leaders in the North, who have long ago abandoned all expectations of reaping any benefit from the negro vote of the South, which they would consider a happy riddance if they could eliminate it entirely and make the Republican party what the Democratic party is—a white man's party. That is not only their sentiment, but it is the sentiment of eight out of ten of the white Republicans of the South, rank and file, notwithstanding the pretences of some of the anti-Lily White faction to the contrary.

When Senator Pritchard asserts that in promoting that movement he is acting in accord with the sentiments of a large majority of the white Republicans of this State he is right, for every one who knows anything about the Republican party in North Carolina knows that there is no sympathy whatever between the white masses of that party and the negro contingent, and that the alliance has always been one to which they have submitted more from necessity than from choice, and to which they would not have submitted at all if it were not for the prejudice that many of them have against the Democratic party, prejudice grown out of previous conditions and the war; while others had their eyes upon postoffices, deputy marshalships, jobs in the internal revenue business, which they liked about in the same proportion that they disliked the negroes, with whom they affiliated politically and to whom they became leaders.

When Gen. Clarkson, who doesn't stickle over questionable methods in carrying schemes in politics, arranged, before the last election, that meeting between those colored bishops and President Roosevelt, he had his eye on the negro vote in several of the States in the list published above which were deemed doubtful and might be lost to the Republicans if the negro vote went to the Democrats or if the Republicans failed to get it, and it is now contended by some of the negro leaders that it was the negro vote which gave the next Congress to the Republicans, and possibly it was. It is certain that if the negroes in New York had not voted the Republican ticket the Democrats would have carried that State.

The position is a peculiarly embarassing one for President Roosevelt, not only on account of the party, whose success he of course desires, but also on account of himself in view of the fact that he has set his heart on the nomination for the Presidency, and his election, if nominated, might be imperilled by antagonizing the negro vote of the North, which as he views it is a much more important factor than the negro vote of the South, from which he expects nothing outside of the national convention, if it should figure there, which is very doubtful. The embarrassing feature to him is to so manipulate as to avoid antagonizing either the lily whites of the South or the leaders of the lampblacks, for if he run counter to these he will run up against the negro leaders of the North who might retaliate by bolting the party in the event of his nomination. He will need the votes of the "lily white" fellows in the convention, if he have opposition, and he will need the votes of the negroes in some of the Northern States if he is nominated, and that's what's the matter, and what is giving him and some of his friends so much trouble.

When Senator Pritchard and others sprang the lily white business they incubated a good deal of bother for Mr. Roosevelt and other party manipulators.

THE HAGUE TRIBUNAL.

Since the Venezuelan question is to go before The Hague Tribunal for settlement it will be interesting to learn what The Hague Tribunal is. It is an international high court, the outcome of the suggestion of the Czar of Russia, in pursuance of which representatives of fifteen nations met in convention at The Hague, in the Netherlands, where after discussion the court was organized July 29, 1899.

The fifteen nations represented in it are the United States, Great Britain, Russia, Germany, Austria-Hungary, Italy, Belgium, France, Denmark, Japan, Holland, Portugal, Roumania, Spain, Sweden and Norway. As each of these nations has four representatives in the court there are sixty in all. The representatives of the United States are Chief Justice Fuller, of the U. S. Supreme Court; John W. Griggs, ex-Attorney General of the United States; George Gray, U. S. circuit Judge, and Oscar S. Strauss, formerly American Minister at Constantinople, who succeeded ex-President Harrison, deceased.

The members hold for six years and may be re-appointed.

Disputing nations may select as many or few of the members as agreed upon, so that the tribunal may consist of but three or the full sixty. While The Hague, where the few executive officers are located, is regarded as headquarters, the court may meet in any city agreed upon, the idea being to choose the point most convenient to the parties in dispute. There is no appeal from the findings of this court, the next arbitrater being powder and shot.

As there has been some discussion as to the possibility of the Monroe Doctrine becoming involved in this arbitration it may be stated that when the American delegation, at the head of which was Andrew D. White, appeared on the convention it was distinctly declared by it that in no event could the Monroe doctrine ever become a subject for the consideration and action of this court.

CHEAP SUGAR.

It does not seem to be settled yet whether the beet sugar manufacturers will oppose the ratification of the reciprocity treaty with Cuba, or accept the twenty per cent reduction and let it go through.

Secretary of Agriculture, Wilson, a great champion of the beet sugar industry and a confident believer in its possibilities, expresses the opinion that the beet sugar manufacturers will acquiesce because they have been considering the matter since it was last before Congress and have come to the conclusion that they have more to gain by settling the question and putting a stop to the agitation, than they could possibly be hurt by a twenty per cent reduction on Cuban sugar. He says the view some of them take of it is that with the tariff question, as far as sugar is concerned, at rest, millions of capital would be invested in the industry which shrinks from going in while the agitation is on, and he believes that with the profit in growing beets to encourage the cultivation of them, and the large acres of territory adapted to the culture, and the territory that may be added, with the large capital invested, with the improved and cheaper processes of manufacture, the output will become immense within the next five years and that sugar can be made and sold at two cents a pound, which is less than cane sugar can be made for in Cuba.

Secretary Wilson is somewhat of an enthusiast on the beat sugar question, and has been contending all along that it was only a question of a few years when the beet men with proper encouragement would produce not only sugar enough to supply the home demand, but a surplus for export, and therefore his rainbow predictions may be taken with a good deal of allowance.

What the beet men will do for the Cuban treaty remains to be seen for they have talked so much one way and acted in so many different ways that little confidence can be placed in statements as to what they are going to do.

One of the problems that confronts the Russian Government is how to feed 15,000,000 of hungry people scattered through Central and Eastern Russia, in the Southeast and along the Volga. Their condition is such that in many cases men sell their wives and daughters to get money to buy oxen to plow for the next crop. In China and in India millions are starving and have to be fed by public charity.

A Virginia girl who advertised for a husband captured a full-blooded Ute Indian, who came on from the Indian Territory, married her and took her back with him. He runs a laundry out there, the first Indian we ever read of who believed in much washing or ran opposition to John Chinaman.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— A movement has just been started for the formation of a farmers' trust. If it should succeed there will be more backing and filling by the politicians than ever in their efforts to find and follow a trust policy.—*Louisville Courier-Journal, Dem.*

——The island of Guam comes up to the front with a shortage in its revenue of nine thousand dollars. This is the island all the inhabitants of which were ordered by the first American governor to get married. In view of this fact the shortage seems ridiculously small.—*Atlanta Journal Dem.*

—— It seems to be confessed by President Castro that he had hope of assistance from South and Central American republics when he declared his purpose to resist the powers of Europe; but the republics did not make the slightest movement in his direction. There never will be an alliance of this sort. These little republics cannot afford to become responsible for one another's vagaries.—*Mobile Register, Dem.*

—— Once more the acceptance or rejection of Cuban Treaty rests with the Beet Sugar men, according to Senator Burrows of Michigan, one of their leaders. Of an annual consumption of 2,360,000 tons, the Beet Sugar men supply 150,000 tons; but they are allowed to pocket, in addition to State bounties and legimate profits, the tariff duty amounting to about $60,000,000 a year; and that is why they stand, with the approval of public servants, as an obstacle to a treaty that would bring at least $60,000,000 worth of trade in other American and Cuban products to this country and which would probably expand within a very few years to $150,000,000 or more.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS

— "The way of the transgressor is to engage a good lawyer.—*Puck.*

— Bjinks—"What did Wisekus do to deserve this monument old man?" Tinks—"He invented asbestos whiskers for amateur Santa Clauses."—*Chicago News.*

— She—Why don't you go out occasionally, dearest, and enjoy yourself, say at the club? He—But I don't want to get into the habit of having a good time.—*Life.*

— Mrs. Wayback—Such a man as you don't deserve to have a wife. Mr. Wayback—Exactly, M'ria. I've wondered for years what I have ever done to deserve this.—*Leslie's Weekly*

— "Do you think Josh's inventions will work?" asked Mrs. Corntossel. "I hope so," answered her husband: "I know mighty well that Josh won't."—*Washington Star.*

— "Rather an appropriate gift someone gave to Jaggers for Christmas." "What was that?" "A shoehorn, with which to put on his hat the next morning."—*Baltimore Herald.*

— "What are the chief products of South America?" asked the school teacher. "Tommy Taddells, you may answer." "Rubber, coffee, ultimatums and insurrections," replied Tommy.—*Judge.*

— A wag having witnessed an unusually villainous performance of "Hamlet," remarked: "Now is the time to settle the Shakespeare-Bacon controversy. Let the graves of both be dug up and see which of the two turned over."—*Boston Courier.*

—The savage regarded the first white man thoughtfully. "If I try to fight him," he said, "he will exterminate me, and if I try to live in peace with him he will cheat me out of everything and I will starve to death, What chance have I got?"—*Chicago Post.*

— "Do you think the time will ever come when we can telephone without wires?" "I don't know. If it does I wonder what excuse the girl will have to make when she prefers to have us ring up again?"—*Chicago Record Herald.*

— Tommy—Papa, what is an autograph? Papa (who is an Alderman), It is a graft, my son, that some city officials—ahem! make money out of by voting against ordinances that owners of automobiles don't want passed.—*Kansas City Journal.*

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in Stomach and Liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY's drug store. †

DR. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY FOR THE BLOOD, LIVER, LUNGS.

Rheumacide

Thoroughly eradicates the excess of Uric and Lactic Acids from the system, starts the kidneys into healthy action, cures constipation and indigestion.

THIS DONE, YOU ARE WELL OF

RHEUMATISM,

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Do not be discouraged if other remedies have failed. RHEUMACIDE has made its reputation by curing alleged incurable cases. Does not injure the organs of digestion.

GOLDSBORO, N. C., Aug. 25, 1902.

Gentlemen—Some six years ago I began to have sciatica, and also a chronic case of muscular rheumatism. At times I could not work at all (my business being baggage master on Southern R. R.). For days and weeks at a time I could not work. My suffering was intense. Physicians treated me, without permanent relief, however. Tried a number of advertised remedies without permanent benefit. Finally I tried "RHEUMACIDE." It did the work, and I have had excellent health for three years. I can cheerfully say that all rheumatics should use "RHEUMACIDE," for it is by far the best remedy.

R. A. LOMAX.

Price $1.00 prepaid express, or from your Druggist.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Newton *Enterprise*: Monday evening the six-year-old boy of Will Hauser, colored, killed himself with a five-cent toy cap pistol. He put a small cartridge in it and was snapping it to see if it would shoot. He held it up to his face and was looking down the barrel and snapped the pistol once too often. The ball entered the brain through the eye and killed the boy instantly.

— Durham *Herald*: Dr. H. F. Linscott, a member of the faculty of the University, died at his home in Chapel Hill Tuesday morning at an early hour. He had been extremely ill but a short while and his death was a great surprise and shock to all of his numerous friends. —— Quite a number of deer are being killed in Granville county this season; more than for years. It is nothing unusual for one of these animals to be brought into the city over the Oxford and Clarksville road.

— Rockingham *Anglo-Saxon*: The dead body of Julia Ann Terry, colored, was found on the road near Hoffman one morning last week, and the attending circumstances indicated that she was murdered. She got off the train at Hoffman and left town in company with Neal Austin, colored. Pistol shots were heard in the direction in which she went, and her dead body was found in the road next morning with a bullet hole through her heart. It is learned, so we hear, from parties for whom she had been cooking, that she had something near $60 on her person, and it is supposed she that she was robbed. Austin is missing.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: A northbound passenger train on the A. C. L. ran over and instantly killed a seven-year old colored child at Rex Tuerday. A number of children were playing near the track, and it is said that while attempting to run across the track in front of the train the child fell and met her death. —— One of the sights on the streets these days is the preaching, from a goods box in Market square, of Almira Mc. Dougald, a negro evangelist. She has a good voice and flow of language and soon gathers a crowd of colored people around her, who, during prayers, make an impressive sight, kneeling with bowed heads in the street. She is a Fayetteville negro, but has travelled extensively for a number of years.

— Wadesboro *Messenger-Intelligencer*: Mr. J. C. Wall died suddenly at his home in Lilesville township early Christmas morning. Christmas eve Mr. Wall was in his usual health, he and his youngest son having been hunting rabbits for a good part of the day. —— Mr. J. E. Lefler died quite suddenly Saturday afternoon at his home on the new depot road. He had been unwell for some time, but was out cutting wood a short time before his death. He died of neuralgia of heart. —— A fine young horse belonging to Mr. Henry Baucom, of Lanesboro township, died a terrible death Tuesday morning. The horse went crazy and broke out of a strong stable, tore the lot fence down, then went back into the stable and broke the other side of it down and got into the room where the roughness was kept. Finally, the poor animal fell to the ground and expired almost instantly. The horse is said to have had blind staggers. A large number of horses have died of this disease in Union county recently.

— Mrs. Prissims—Oh, but I got taken in when I married you, you wretch! Mr. Prissims—Yes; out of the cold.—*Balto. American.*

A Marvelous Invention.

Wonders never cease. A machine has been invented that will cut, paste and hang wall paper. The field of inventions and discoveries seem to be unlimited. Notable among great discoveries is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It has done a world of good for weak lungs and has saved many a life. Thousand have used it and conquered Grip, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Consumption. Their general verdict is: "It's the best and most reliable medicine for Throat and Lung troubles." Every 50c and $1.00 bottle is guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Trial bottles free. †

AVOID all drying inhalants and use that which cleanses and heals the membrane. Ely's Cream Balm is such a remedy and cures Catarrh easily and pleasantly. Cold in the head vanishes quickly. Price 50 cents at druggists or by mail.

Catarrh caused difficulty in speaking and to a great extent loss of hearing. By the use of Ely's Cream Balm dropping of mucus has ceased, voice and hearing have greatly improved.—J. W. Davidson, Att'y at Law, Monmouth, Ill. †

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Of any form of Fever who uses Johnson's Chill and Fever Tonic even halfway right. It is 100 times better than quinine, and does in a day what slow quinine cannot do in ten days. Johnson's Tonic will drive out every trace and taint of Grip Poison from the blood. Write for Agency to A. B. Girardeau, Savannah, Ga. †

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Arrests discharges from the urinary organs in either sex in 48 hours.

It is superior to Copaiba, Cubeb, or injections, and free from all bad smell or other inconveniences.

SANTAL-MIDY is contained in small Capsules, which bear the name in black letters, without which none are genuine.

The development of technical and industrial schools in Germany has increased not only the domain of Emperor William, but has enriched all other civilized nations, says the New York Evening Post. One of the first matters taken up and studied scientifically by these institutions was the making of buttons and other useful and ornamental articles from mother of pearl. It was soon found that the opalescent layers of the oyster shell were not the sole available material, as had long been believed by the trade, and that clams, mussels and other bivalves, not to speak of many conchs, were of nearly, if not quite, equal value. The first result of these examinations was the prompt utilization of other shells and a consequent reduction in the price of oyster, mother of pearl and of buttons made from that substance.

The new industry prospered and finally crossed the Atlantic. Here it has taken a firm foothold and is growing rapidly. The largest portion of the work is now done in the central states, while small concerns may be found all the way from Massachusetts to Virginia. Thus far the best clam discovered is the pearl clam of the Mississippi and the other rivers of that region. The sea clams are useful, but the inner linings are not so lustrous or iridescent. The deep sea clam, with its rich indigo color, makes a showy and rather popular button. The soft clam, or Rhode Island clam, has often a beautiful play of color upon its inner surface, but is usually too thin and fragile. The hard clams or cohogues vary extensively. A few have brilliant interiors; the majority are very dull.

The treatment is about the same in all cases. The clams must be gathered so as not to injure the shell. They are washed and then boiled with a small amount of alkali, either washing soda or lime being added to remove any grease or dirt held by grease. The meat is extracted and is utilized for food purposes. Where no alkali has been employed the flesh is well adapted for stews, chowders or for making clam broths. Where alkali has been employed the bodies are rinsed in hot water and fed to pigs, ducks and chickens. They are said to improve the flavor of the duck and to make the domestic bird taste very much like an inferior mallard. The shells are then cut by an expert and sawed into blanks. These blanks are sorted, steamed, cut down by machinery, shaped, drilled and polished.

Will Bring Joy to Yachtsmen.

A new invention in a sailboat, which, it is claimed, cannot be capsized, is being exploited in Chicago. The principle on which the new improvement is hinged is that the mast is not stepped into the frame of the boat, but with a false ballast keel. The connection is made in a manner so the capsizing action of the wind upon the sails is transmitted through the mast to the ballast keel. This keel is attached to the boat by means of a rod which runs through the bow and stern of the boat. By this mechanism instead of the boat heeling with the pressure of the wind the mast alone sways, while the ballast keel swings to the opposite side, thus keeping the boat always on a level.

Naming the Baby.

"Have you named the baby?" asked the admiring neighbor.

"Not yet," said the proud young mother. "We're going to christen him Sunday."

"Dear me! What an odd name! I'd almost as soon call him after Robinson Crusoe's man Friday and be done with it."—Chicago Tribune.

An Untimely Call.

Minister—Is your father at home, Willie?

William—Yes, but he's got the rheumatism so bad he ain't safe to talk to. —Indianapolis News.

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. B. JOHN, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Burgaw, Rocky Point, Jan. 3, 4.
Southport, Jan. 11, 12.
Shallotte, Concord, Jan. 13.
Town Creek, —— Jan. 14.
Waccamaw, Shiloh, Jan. 17, 18.
Whiteville, Whiteville, Jan. 18, 19.
Magnolia, Providence, Jan. 24, 25.
Clinton, Clinton, Jan. 30.
Kenansville, Friendship, Jan. 31, Feb. 1.
Bladen, Bethlehem, Feb. 7, 8.
Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, Feb. 9.
Carver's Creek, Council Station Feb. 10.
Onslow, Queen's Creek, Feb. 14, 15.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb. 21, 22.

District Stewards will please meet in the Ladies' Parlor, Grace church, Wilmington, Tuesday Dec. 30th, at 1 o'clock.

Missionary Institute will be held at Grace church Feb. 4th and 5th, 1903.

District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 5 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th, 1903.

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STAR OFFICE, January 2.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 52½c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.35 per barrel for strained and $1.40 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $1.75 per barrel for hard, $3.00 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine nothing doing; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar steady at $1.35; crude turpentine quiet at $1.00 @2.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	25
Rosin	334
Tar	343
Crude turpentine	47

Receipts same day last year—31 casks spirits turpentine, 317 barrels rosin, 220 barrels tar, 37 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5⅝	cts. ℔ lb
Good ordinary	7¼	" "
Low middling	7⅞	" "
Middling	8¼	" "
Good middling	9⅛	" "

Same day last year, market firm at 7⅞c for middling.

Receipts—304 bales; same day last year, 676.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

CORN—Firm; 65@67½c per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 15@16c per pound; shoulders, 10@12½c; sides, 10@11c.

EGGS—Firm at 21@22c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 30@35c; springs, 12½@25c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 10@11c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 60c per bushel.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Money on call—Market was quoted at 4@15 per cent, closing offered at 4 per cent; time money quoted—60 days and 90 days, 6½ per cent.; six months 5½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper was firm. Sterling exchange was easy; actual business in bankers' bills at 487.45@486.50 for demand and 483.10@483.20 for sixty days. The posted rates were 484 and 487½. Commercial bills 482¾@483¼. Bar silver 48⅜. Mexican dollars 38¼. Government bonds steady. State bonds were steady. Railroad bonds steady. U. S. refunding 2's, coupon, 108¼; U. S. funding 2's, registered, 108¼; U. S. 3's, registered, 106¾; do. coupon, 108; U. S. 4's, new registered, 135⅜; do. coupon, 135¾; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 109¼; do. coupon, 110¼; U. S. 5's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon, 103¾; Southern Railway, 5's, 118¼. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 100⅞. Chesapeake & Ohio 48⅝; Manhattan L 149⅜; New York Central 151⅜; Reading 68⅜; do. 1st preferred 88; do. 2nd preferred 79⅜; St. Paul 178⅜; do. pref'd, 192; Southern Railway 34¼; do. pref'd 92⅜; Amalgamated Copper 64½; People's Gas 103⅛; Sugar 127⅛; Tennessee Coal and Iron 60⅝; U. S. Leather 12⅞; do. pref'd, 89¼; Western Union 88⅜; U. S. Steel 36⅝; do. pref'd 86⅞; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 63⅜; do. preferred, 121. Standard Oil, 720@730.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 2.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 27⅛; do. preferred, bonds, 44¼@44⅝; fours, 83⅛@83⅜.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine firm.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 2.—Spirits turpentine firm at 52c; sales 50 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,000 barrels; prices unchganed.

SAVANNAH, Jan 2.—Spirits turpentine quoted firm at 52½c; receipts 587 casks; sales — casks; exports 625 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 4,229 barrels; sales 2,394 barrels; exports 1,816 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 45, E, $1 50; F, $1 55; G, $1 70; H, $2 00; I, $2 35; K $2 85; M, $3 35; N, $3 55; W G, $3 80; W W, $4 20.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The cotton market opened strong at an advance of three to fourteen points, ruled very active with prices steadily working upward until a net rise of eleven to thirteen points was apparent, and on this basis the market closed firm. The rise was started by a strong attitude shown at Liverpool during the holiday here. To-day's cables showed a net rise of eight points on spot cotton and eight and one-half to nine on futures. According to private cables the English advance originated in the appearance of an active demand from China and better Manchester conditions, together with the disappointing movement of cotton in this country, notwithstanding the favorable weather prevailing in most parts of the cotton belt for the transportation of supplies from the interior. Superintendent King makes the port receipts for the week 254,148 bales, against 301,951 last year and the amount brought into sight for the week 338,697 against 381,227 last year, which brings the amount brought into sight according to the New York Cotton Exchange figures 6,837,581 bales, against 6,825,738 bales last year, when the crop, according to the *Chronicle*, was 10,701,000 bales. The current demand for cotton at this point has been based largely on the disappointing movement in connection with the record consumption as indicated by the absorption of cotton this season. Shorts who have been depending upon a larger volume of receipts have been actively buying to cover, while the public demand has been further stimulated by strong spot cotton markets throughout the cotton belt, these generally showing an advance of 1-16@3-16c Large exports were also a factor in today's rise, with Wall street interests leading the demand throughout the session. Total sales futures 450,000 bales.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Cotton steady at 9.00c; net receipts 191 bales; gross receipts 221 bales; stock 159,061 bales.

Spot closed quiet and steady and 10 points higher; middling uplands 9.00c; middling gulf 9.25c; sales 71,300 bales.

Cotton futures market closed firm: January 8.78, February 8.74, March 8.78, April 8.78, May 8.79, June 8.79, July 8.80, August 8.64, September 8.39.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 18,362 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,131 bales; exports to France 10,988 bales; exports to the Continent 21,832 bales; stock 1,139,437 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 251,238 bales; exports to Great Britain 72,806 bales; exports to France 17,676 bales; exports to the Continent 188,697 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 4,949,711 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,525,016 bales; exports to France 420,833 bales; exports to the Continent 1,530,350 bales

Jan. 2.—Galveston, firm at 8 11-16c, net receipts 1,866 bales; Norfolk, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 296 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¾c, net receipts 1,227 bales; Boston, steady at 9.00, net receipts — bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¼, net receipts 576 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 9.25c, net receipts 174 bales; Savannah, firm at 8⅜c, net receipts — bales; New Orleans, firm at 8 9-16c, net receipts 4,271 bales; Mobile, firm at 8⅜c, net receipts 1,034 bales; Memphis, firm at 8⅜c, net receipts 1,836 bales; Augusta, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 236 bales; Charleston, firm at 8¼c, net receipts 1,116 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Flour was firm on spring patents but otherwise dull and easy; winter straights $3 45@3 55. Wheat—Spot easy; No 2 red 79c. Options were dull all day and generally weak under liquidation, induced by cables, Argentine news, an entire lack of support and large Northwest receipts. The close was weak at ⅛c net decline. Sales: May closed 79⅛c; July closed 77⅜c. Corn—Spot steady, No. 2 58c. Options opened very steady and were held firm during the forenoon on rains West and big clearances, but eventually eased off with wheat and closed unsettled at ⅛@⅜c net loss: January closed 54c; May closed 47⅜c; July closed 47. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2, 38½c. Options were dull and steady: May 38⅛c. Rice quiet. Molasses steady. Lard steady. Butter was steady to firm; extra creamery 28@28½c; State dairy 20@26. Cheese firm; new State full cream, small colored, fancy fall made 14c; small white, fall made, 14c. Tallow quiet. Sugar quiet. Peanuts steady; fancy hand picked 4½@4¾c; other domestic 3@4½c. Cabbages easy; domestic, per 100, white to red $2 00@4 50; Norfolk 75c@$1 00. Coffee quiet; mild quoted easy; Cordova 7½@12c. Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 12. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania average best 28c Potatoes easy; Long Island $2 00@2 25; South Jersey sweets $2 50@3 75; Jerseys $1 75@2 00; New York and Western per 180 lbs., $1 50 @2 00. Cotton seed oil was fairly active and steady. Closing prices were: Prime crude here nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 30½@31; prime summer yellow 38½@39; off summer yellow 38c; prime white 41@42c; prime winter yellow 42c; prime meal $27 00@27 50, nominal.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Bearish foreign news was the main cause for lower prices in wheat to-day. May closed ½c lower. May corn was off ½c, with oats down ⅛@⅛c. May provisions closed from 7½ to 10@12½c lower.

CHICAGO, Jan. 2.—Cash prices: Flour quiet and firm. Wheat—No. 2 spring 75½c; No. 3 spring 67@73c; No. 2 red 71½@72½c. Corn—No. 2 44½c; No. 2 yellow 44½c. Oats—No 2 — c; No. 2 white —; No. 3 white 32¼@33½c. Mess pork, per barrel, quoted $18 00. Lard, per 100 lbs., $9 90@10 00. Short rib sides, loose, closed $8 37½@8 50. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 25@8 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $9 00@9 12½. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 31.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 January 72, 72⅛, 71⅛, 71⅛c; May 76⅛, 76⅛@76⅛, 75⅛@75⅜, 75⅜c; July 73⅛@73⅛, 73⅛, 72⅛, 72⅛@72⅝c. Corn—No. 2 January 44¼@44⅜, 45, 44, 44⅜c; May 43⅛@43⅛, 43⅛, 42⅝@42⅝, 42⅞; July 32⅛@42⅜, 42⅛@42⅜, 42⅛, 42⅜c. Oats—No 2 January, new, 31⅜, 31⅜, 31⅜@31⅜, 31⅜@31⅜c; May 33⅛@33⅜, 33⅜, 33⅜, 33⅜c; July 31⅛, 31⅛, 31⅛, 31⅛c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $17 75, 18 05, 17 75, 17 90; May $16 40, 16 55, 16 27½, 16 30. Lard, per 100 lbs—January $10 02½, 10 02½, 9 85, 9 85; May $9 52½, 9 57½, 9 40, 9 42½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $8 42½, 8 45, 8 30, 8 35; May $8 67½, 8 67½, 8 55, 8 60.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 2.—Cotton: Spot moderate business done; prices 6 to 8 points higher; American middling fair 5.36d; good middling 4.88d; middling 4.72d; low middling 4.60d; good ordinary 4.48d; ordinary 4.36d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 7,700 bales American. Receipts since last report 66,000 bales, including 65,800 bales American.

Futures opened firm and closed strong; American middling (g o c) January 4.69@4.70d; January and February 4.69d; February and March 4.69d; March and April 4.69d; April and May 4.69@4.70d; May and June 4.70d; June and July 4.70d; July and August 4.70d; August and September 4.63@4.64d.

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Clyde steamship Oneida, Deveraux, Georgetown, S C, H G Smallbones.

CLEARED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.

Steamer Highlander, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

British schooner Mabel Darling, Sweeting, Nassau, B W I, J A Springer & Co.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

NASSAU, B W I—British schooner Mabel Darling, 136,400 shingles, valued at $550; 39 barrels tar, valued at $74; 37 barrels pitch, valued at $61; 1,000 feet moulding, valued at $12, and 60 spars, valued at $75—total valuation, $772; cargo by J A Springer & Co; vessel by master.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

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Steamer Highlander—3 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 177 barrels rosin, 243 barrels tar, 6 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner Argyle—1 bale of cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 15 barrels rosin 26 barrels tar, 29 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner Minnie Wood—15 casks spirits turpentine, 47 barrels rosin, 30 barrels tar.

Schooner J. D. Pigott—81 barrels rosin.

Total—204 bales cotton, 25 casks spirits turpentine, 334 barrels rosin, 343 barrels tar, 47 barrels crude turpentine.

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TWO SOLDIERS OF SANTIAGO

[Original.]

Concha Alvarez was a pretty Cuban girl of Santiago de Cuba. In 1898, after the fighting was all over, Santiago being occupied by United States troops, Concha, who was heart and soul in favor of free Cuba, was so grateful to the American liberators that she was ready to fall in love with the first United States soldier who presented himself. Unfortunately two aspirants for her affections appeared about the same time, Major Archibald Thelford and Hospital Steward Julian Arnold. The major was a fine, handsome fellow of about thirty-five, the hospital steward a youngster of twenty-three. Concha seemed to favor the major. In the first place, he wore the shoulder straps of a field officer; in the second, his bearing was modest; in the third, he was a very handsome man. The hospital steward was not in the fighting part of the army, was not especially troubled with modesty and had a disagreeable way of referring to men mutilated by shot and shell, as though he took a grim satisfaction in their sufferings.

"Why don't you accept the major?" said her bosom friend. "He seems to be everything that is desirable."

"Because," replied Concha.

"What do you especially require in the man you marry?"

"Bravery."

"Well, then, test them."

Concha was struck with this advice. She invited her lovers to call upon her the next day at the same hour and served coffee for them on the veranda. The major did not fraternize with the hospital steward, of course, but had the good sense not to ignore him entirely. The hospital steward had the assurance to treat the officer as if he were quite an inferior person. Concha sat with them serving coffee and chatting glibly.

"Ah, how hot it was," she said, "the day before the surrender! The cannon and the guns made such a noise, and then those funny machines that go tr-rr-rrr-rr, turning from right to left and left to right, as one would turn the nozzle of a hose! I thought I should go mad. And do you know that one great bombshell fell right here in the garden and the—what do you call it?—the fuse sputtered, and we all ran for our lives. But after awhile we came back, for it didn't explode."

"What did you do with it?" asked the major.

"It is in a corner of the back veranda. Would you like to see it?"

The major was indifferent. The hospital steward thought he would not object. They rose from the table, Concha giving a singular laugh at the same time, which surprised both her suitors, for they saw nothing to laugh at. Then they went to the back veranda. Through the rear hall door they could see Joaquin, Concha's little brother, a boy of twelve, running wildly away to the back of the garden, with a lighted stick in his hand, and yelling at the top of his voice. Another moment explained the cause. The fuse of the unexploded bomb was spitting fire like a rocket on the Fourth of July. It was plain that the boy had been playing near it with fire and ignited it.

Concha as soon as she saw what had occurred gave a shriek and stood stock still, as if she had lost the power to save herself. The major darted back into the hall, crying: "Come away! You will be blown to atoms!" The hospital steward gave the bomb a quick glance, estimated that the fire of the fuse would not reach the bomb for some seconds and, rushing up to it, seized it, giving it a jerk to separate it from the bomb. To his astonishment, the bomb went sailing up in the air like a balloon. It was made of pasteboard.

Turning, he cast a look at Concha and, seeing as many sparks in her eyes as in the fuse, inferred that there was mischief in the wind. Then the two burst into a merry laugh.

"What did you do it for?" asked Arnold.

"Well, you see," stammered Concha, "I wanted to find out whether you or Major Thelford is the braver man."

"If you wanted to test my bravery, you should have cut off another inch of that fuse. I saw at a glance that there was plenty of time."

Then Concha explained that she had concocted the story of the real bomb, had made one of pasteboard and bribed her brother to ignite a firecracker fuse she put into it, giving him a loud laugh as a signal.

"But the major," said Concha ruefully. "After all, he is so handsome and so nice. What a pity he is not brave!"

"He is no major—that is, except in embryo, though he may make one in time. You can't develop a soldier in ninety days. Three months ago he was a floorwalker in a dry goods store."

"And what were you three months ago?"

"A new fledged graduate of the medical department of the University of ——. I was graduated at the time this expedition started and, wishing to gain some surgical experience, came along as hospital steward. Our regiment is to sail soon for the north, and when we arrive I think I have influence sufficient to procure a discharge."

Concha Alvarez a year after the Santiago campaign married Dr. Julian Arnold, bade farewell to her father's hacienda and came to the United States to live. Arnold is a rising young surgeon. He is now sufficiently removed from his surgical freshness not to talk "shop" while at home. The major remained in the army and has since distinguished himself in the Philippines.

OLIVE PENNEWILL.

We have fine reports of the value of the brome grass for all that semiarid portion of the country where timothy and clover will not grow. Some are claiming that as the native buffalo grass is run out by too close pasturing this brome grass may be made to take its place. If so, it will prove to be a bonanza indeed.

The young men of today who do the farm work will never realize the possibilities connected with hard work on the farm as did their fathers when they had to rake off from an old McCormick reaper in the early sixties or keep up a station after such a machine as one of five binders. My, but the days were long then, and the sun hot, and the work hard!

Because of the shortage in the crop of 1901 exports of corn fell off from 182,000,000 bushels in 1900 to 39,000,000 bushels in 1901. The long delayed European appreciation of this most valuable of cereals is at last made manifest, and from now on this foreign demand is going to materially affect the future values of corn. The day of burning corn in place of coal is gone never to return.

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BRIDAL BOUQUETS.

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The stiff bridal bouquet made up in stock fashion, without individuality or artistic merit to recommend it, is a thing of the past. A long bouquet of whatever blossoms the bride selects is made to carry upon the arm, and this is a style particularly adapted to the tall bride. But probably the most popular bouquet of the present time is the shower bouquet, says the New York Herald. This is made from small blossoms usually, although small roses or half blown buds are sometimes used.

The shower bouquet is the most expensive of all, as one can understand when it is learned that 3,000 violets are needed to construct one. There is, first of all, a center cluster, which makes a fair sized bouquet. From this depend ribbon streamers, twelve to fifteen usually, generally of No. 2 ribbon. Into these streamers the separate blossoms are tied at short distances, so that when all the streamers are filled the whole bouquet seems verily a shower of falling blossoms and well deserves its poetic name. The streamers are of different lengths, the longest reaching to the bottom of the gown as the bouquet is carried.

Bits of the shower bouquet make dainty souvenirs to distribute if the bride so chooses. The sectional bouquet, however, is made up with this end expressly in view, the number of clusters depending upon the number of maids who attend the bride, as the bouquet is intended to be divided among them. This is a pretty custom and one much in vogue.

It is no longer necessary that the color be white, unless the bride so chooses, although it must be conceded that by far the greater number of brides prefer white or mainly white.

Asparagus and maidenhair fern are the favorite greens to place with small blossoms, and the preference is usually given to the asparagus on account of its greater fineness.

The bride who finds a touch of yellow becoming may choose a bouquet of marguerites. These are simple and dainty and may be made up in any form, although the long stemmed cluster is oftenest carried.

A pretty custom is that of having flower children, dressed in white or a light tint, carry baskets of single blossoms or often of petals alone.

Pearls.

"Pearls," remarked the wise guy, "are emblematic of tears."

"I guess that's right," agreed the simple mug. "My wife cries because I can't afford to buy her any.—Philadelphia Record.

He who refuses to play second fiddle has no chance to become leader of an orchestra.—New York Herald.

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Strawberry ice is a delicious dessert. Use a sirup made of two cups of water and three-quarters of a cupful of sugar. To this add one cupful of strawberry juice and one-half a tablespoonful of lemon juice. Use raspberry juice in exactly the same fashion. Pour into the freezer and freeze.

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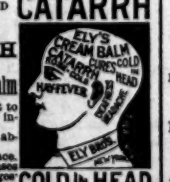

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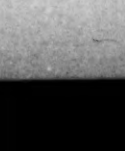

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We Come With New Year's Greetings.

The year of 1902 is drawing to a close. We trust it has been as pleasant and profitable to you as it has been to us.

Our Christmas trade was phenomenal; it broke all records of the past. Our whole year's business was unusually good. We are now facing the year 1903 and have already been making preparations for the year's business. The rush is over, but our stock is not broken. We anticipated a big trade and bought accordingly.

We have just received a nice line of new Black Beaver Hats, very stylish, at $2.75 each. Also a nice line of Scratch Felt Hats, in black and all colors, at 69c each. We have an extensive line of Ready-to-wear Hats that we are selling for 50c, 69c, 89c and $1.19, which is about 50 per cent. of actual value.

In new Ribbons we have just received a large shipment, in all colors. Beautiful Glazed Taffetta Ribbons, in Nos. 5 and 7, at 5c per yard; Nos. 9 and 12, at 8c per yard; Nos. 16 and 22, at 10c per yard; No. 40, at 15c per yard; No. 60, at 20c per yard; and No. 80, at 25c per yard. Satin and Taffetta Ribbons are from 5c to 35c per yard.

In Ladies' Hats we have a big lot to sell at 25c each, regardless of cost or quality; all shapes and colors, and all this year's goods.

Our Cloak Department has had an immense success this season. We have bought several large shipments of Cloaks at almost half-price, and we have on hand a very nice and extensive line. Nicely lined and well made Beaver Coats at $3.50. The latest Monte Carlo Coats at $5, and the best $10 Monte Carlos are going at $7.50 each.

In ladies and children underwear we have just received quite a nice shipment. Ladies' red and white flannel vests and pants of all kinds and in all sizes for 75 cents, 85 cents and $1 each. Ladies' bleached ribbed vests at 25 cents each. Just received a large shipment of samples in needlewear which represents one and two of a kind of anything you can call for, which we are selling at about first cost; we make our profits in the discounts. Vests and pants in this lot run from 10 cents to $2.25 each.

We have also received 120 dozen of sample hosiery, all colors and prices from 5 cents to 25 cents a pair.

We have children's hose in all sizes from 5 cents to 25 cents; we have an immense stock of ladies and gentlemen's hosiery; our line of Shamrock hosiery for ladies are the best value to be had, sell for 12½ cents, 15 cents and 25 cents a pair.

Men's ½ wool socks at 10 cents a pair; all wool at 15 cents. The finest 25 cents cashmere hose are selling at 20 cents.

Embroidery, we have about 8,000 yards bought at a low down price. Good embroidery with a lot of work for 4c. Very good value at 5c., and 15c value we are selling at 10c. Our corset stock has just been replenished. Just received 30 doz. R. & G. corsets to sell for 50, 75, and $1. The long hip corset for $125. Our B. C. N. corset cannot be matched in any retail store in the city, we buy them in solid case lots and can sell you a 75c. corset for 50c.

Our Kalamazoo Corsets in blue and white and pink and white and all white, are well shaped and good values, running at 25c. Regular 50c Corsets for 39c.

Infants' Cloaks. Just bought a sample line to sell for 50c, 75c, 89c up to $2.25. All well made and new styles.

Ladies' heavy Capes, nicely trimmed, in fur and made of Beaver cost, all new goods, $1.50 and $1.75 each; 50c each; less than cost.

A nice line of new Belts at 25c and 39c each.

In our Men's and Boys' Clothing Department, judging by our sales, you would think no one else in the city carried Clothing. Good suits from $3 up. In boys' heavy-weight Clothing, we have just bought out a factory. Suits that sold for $3 we can sell now for $2.25; we have them from $1.50 up. In boys' Pants we have agency for New York Mill & Co. All made with tape seams and made of best woollen goods; all 50c a pair; any size.

In our Clothing Department we have 500 nice Clothes Brushes to give away, one with each suit sold.

If you are thinking of having your photo enlarged, we represent the Argo Mfg. Co., of Chicago, who make oil paintings for us. We give an Argo oil painting free with every $20 cash purchase, when you buy the frame from us.

With best wishes for a happy New Year.

The Big Racket Store.

P. S.—For Sunday School Christmas Trees we have lots of nice Toys left on hand. Plenty of Toys and China Bric-a-brac. dec 28 tf

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

Deposits, showing increase of business since organization.

March 1st, 1899	$222,000
December 31st, 1899	354,000
December 31st, 1900	432,000
December 31st, 1901	684,000
December 31st, 1902	1,200,000

H. C. McQUEEN, President. J. V. GRAINGER, Cashier.
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On small sums as well as large amounts.
You can open an account by depositing TWENTY-FIVE CENTS. Every nickel you spend is gone forever and eternally, but every nickel you save is still yours, and if invested with us will draw interest, compounded quarterly, for years to come. Begin the New Year right by opening a savings account.

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LOW ROUND TRIP

Rates From Wilmington

Sixth Annual Exhibition, Charlotte Poultry Association, Charlotte, N. C., January 12th-15th, 1903. Dates of sale January 11th to 14th, inclusive. Final limit January 16th. Rate, $6.30.

Christmas Holiday Rates.

On Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and Jan. 1, the Atlantic Coast Line will sell tickets to all points in territory of the Southeastern Passenger Association at rate of a fare and a third for the round trip, limited Jan. 3. Upon presentation and surrender of certificates signed by superintendents, principals or presidents of schools or colleges tickets at this rate will be sold to teachers and students, Dec. 16 to 22, inclusive; limited Jan. 8th.

W. J. CRAIG,
Approved: Gen'l Passenger Agent.
H. M. EMERSON,
Traffic Manager.
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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Nov. 30, 1902.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 48	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12 01 p m	9 35 p m
Ar Wilson	1 18 p m	10 40 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11 35 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	.....
Ar Weldon	4 53 p m	1 45 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 08 p m	3 05 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11 40 p m	7 04 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 33 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 08 a m	11 35 a m
Ar New York	7 06 a m	1 55 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 49
Lv New York	9 00 a m	9 30 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 30 a m	12 19 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 44 p m	2 37 a m
Ar Washington	2 50 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk	.....	9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	6 55 p m	8 30 a m
Ar Petersburg	7 32 p m	9 15 a m
Ar Weldon	9 04 p m	11 32 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 07 p m	12 59 p m
Ar Wilson	10 48 p m	1 46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	7 18 a m	3 05 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	5 45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 45 p m	7 00 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 50 p m	2 55 a m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 15 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Savannah	6 35 p m	3 00 a m	7 55 a m
Ar Jacksonville	.....	9 00 a m	12 45 p m
Ar Tampa	.....	7 00 p m	10 50 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.
Lv Tampa	8 05 p m	9 30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 30 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	5 15 p m	6 35 a m
Ar Florence	8 00 p m	9 45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 45 p m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.		East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar.	8 00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 20 p m	Ar.	5 00 p m
Ar Sanford	1 50 p m	Lv.	3 45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

	North Bound Daily ex Sunday.		South Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	2 35 p m	Ar.	12 06 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv.	9 00 a m

‡Via Wilson.
Trains Nos. 40 and 41 carry Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with Penna R. R. for all points east.

W. J. CRAIG,
Gen'l Passenger Agent.
H. M. EMERSON, Traffic Manager.
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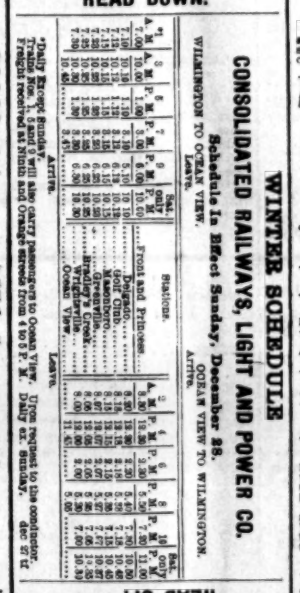

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SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY

Schedule in Effect Nov. 23.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington at 8:20 P. M., arrives Lumberton 5:44 P. M., Pembroke 6:10 P. M., Maxton 6:40 P. M., Hamlet 7:35 P. M., Charlotte 10:20 P. M.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Charlotte 5:0 1A. M., Hamlet at 8:25 A. M., arrives Maxton 9:10 A. M., Pembroke 9:43 A. M., Lumberton 10 05 A. M., Wilmington 12.30 noon.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	9 45 p m	7 40 a m
Ar Monroe	11 21 p m	9 15 a m
Ar Charlotte	.....	10 30 a m
Ar Chester	12 51 a m	10 30 a m
Ar Greenwood	2 55 a m	12 37 p m
Ar Athens	3 50 a m	1 33 p m
Ar Atlanta	7 35 a m	4 00 p m

Close connection at Atlanta for Montgomery, Mobile, New Orleans and all points in Texas, Mexico and California; also for Chattanooga, Nashville, Louisville, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Chicago, and Western and Northwestern points.

SOUTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	9 45 p m	7 35 a m
Ar Columbia	1 15 a m	11 20 a m
Ar Savannah	9 35 a m	6 55 p m
Ar Jacksonville	7 00 a m	9 15 p m
Ar Tampa	5 05 p m	6 00 a m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10 40 p m	7 50 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 30 a m	11 15 a m
Ar Norfolk	3 30 a m	1 25 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 15 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Norfolk		
Lv Hamlet	10 40 p m	8 40 a m
Ar Raleigh	1 30 a m	11 10 a m
Ar Norfolk	3 30 a m	1 25 p m
Ar Portsmouth	7 15 a m	5 30 p m
Ar Washington	10 10 a m	8 30 p m
Ar Baltimore	11 35 a m	11 35 p m
Ar New York	4 15 p m	6 30 a m

Train 40 leaving Hamlet at 8.25 a. m. takes passengers from train 81, leaving New York at 12.35 p. m.; Baltimore at 5.45 p. m.; Washington 7.00 p. m.; Richmond 10.07 p. m.; Portsmouth 9.05 p. m.; Norfolk 8.30 p. m.; Raleigh 4.15 a. m. arriving at Hamlet at 7.00 a. m. From train 39, leaving Atlanta 1.00 p. m.; Athens 4.07 p. m.; Chester 4.15 a. m.; Charlotte 5.01 a. m.; Monroe 5.40 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 7.30 a. m.

From train 66 leaving Jacksonville 4.53 p. m.; Savannah 12.10 p. m.; Columbia 3.15 a. m.; arriving Hamlet 5.30 a. m.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 55	Kinston	10 19	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern	9 30	9 00
7 05	7 07	Morehead City	7 30	7 07
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.45 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 1.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 2 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 1.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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ONEIDA..... Saturday, Jan. 17
From Wilmington for Georgetown.
CLYDE..... Tuesday, Jan. 6
ONEIDA..... Tuesday, Jan. 13

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The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 3.

MOROCCO'S REBELLION.

Rebels Inactive—Preparations for the Defence of Fez by the Sultan.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS, Jan. 2.—Telegrams received here from Oran, Algeria, announce that detachments of Zouaves (French troops) have been ordered to the Moorish frontier.

TANGIER, Morocco, January 2.—Advices from Fez under yesterday's date have been received here. Guns were being mounted on the walls for the defence of the city, but the rebels remained inactive. They have not sufficient supplies for an expedition from their headquarters.

The city of Fez continues quiet, but the dearness of food was causing discontent. If the situation becomes more grave the Sultan will abandon the capital, retire to Rabat and summon the border tribes to a holy war. The Sultan will then proclaim himself Sheif and defender of Islam, renounce all European leanings and them at the head of new forces attempt to re-take Fez.

THE WORLD'S COTTON.

The Total Visible Supply in This Country and Abroad.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 2.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's supply of cotton, issued to-day, shows the total visible to be 3,926,428 bales, against 3,838,795 last week and 4,362,723 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 3,251,428 bales, against 3,171,795 last week and 3,688,723 last year, and of all other kinds, including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 675,000 bales, against 667,000 last week and 674,000 last year.

Of the world's visible supply of cotton there is now afloat and held in Britain and Continental Europe 40 bales, against 2,174,000 last n Egypt, 189,000 bales, against last year; in India, 228,000 bales, against 251,000 last year, and in the United States, 1,613,000 bales, against 1,741,000 last year.

DEMAND FOR MONEY.

Prediction That It Will Continue Active Through the Next Fortnight.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Money was in sufficient demand to-day to make nine to ten per cent. the rates for most of the funds put out. This level was quoted by the banks in most instances when renewals or new loans were asked for, and while increased ease was reported in the time money situation, heavy lenders quoted the 5½ per cent. rate as the only basis at which they would release funds. This attitude was explained by the large banks in the prediction that money will continue in active demand through the next fortnight or until the funds disbursed in dividend payments returned in some volume from the West and South.

TO SHARE ITS PROFITS.

Plan Proposed by the Pressed Steel Car Company to Its Employes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Announcement was made to-day that another industrial corporation had inaugurated a plan to share its profits with employes. The Press Steel Car Company proposes to carry for each of its employes who has been six months or more in its employ from one to twenty-five shares of the preferred stock, now paying 7 per cent. dividends. The men will pay 5 per cent. down and the same amount in monthly installments thereafter, the company charging 4 per cent. for moneys loaned to carry stock. As the dividend is 7 per cent, the buyer will have the advantage of the 3 per cent. difference.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT.

For the Week Ending Friday, January 2nd, 1903.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending January 2nd, 1902:

	1902.	1901.
Net receipts at all U. S. ports during the week ...	251,238	295,018
Total receipts to date ...	9,711	4,862,959
Exports for week ...	1,179	265,526
Total exports to date ...	3,476,189	3,575,320
Stock in all U. S. ports ...	1,035,437	971,908
Stock at all interior towns ...	542,156	792,840
Stock in Liverpool ...	605,000	680,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	240,000	230,000

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st, 1902: Galveston, 1,402,141 bales; New Orleans, 1,387,031; Mobile, 143,433; Savannah, 895,364; Charleston, 175,238; Wilmington, 271,533; Norfolk, 318,900; Baltimore, 13,587; New York, 29,961; Boston, 27,707; Newport News, 11,351; Philadelphia, 13,934; Brunswick, 72,472; Fernandina, 450; Pensacola, 74,639; Port Arthur, 31,661; Port Townsend, 57,061; San Francisco, 19,701; Portland, Ore., 1,541. Total, 4,349,711 bales.

The Southern Railway has filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission an answer denying the allegations of discrimination made in the complaint of R. V. Austin, of Knoxville, Tenn., who charged that his "Live and Let Live Company," founded to furnish coal cheaply to the poor, was being discriminated against in the furnishing of car facilities.

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POSTMASTER NEGRO WOMAN.

Forced to Resign by Threats of Personal Violence--President Says Office Will Not Be Reopened Until People Accept the Appointment.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The feature of the cabinet meeting to-day was the decision to close permanently the postoffice at Indianola, Miss., from which the postmaster, Minnie Cox, colored, resigned under compulsion a few days ago, since which time the office has been closed. The bondsmen have brought the matter to the attention of the authorities here with a view to being relieved of the responsibility of the accumulated mail. The Postmaster General has had a thorough investigation made and has become satisfied that the woman was obliged to resign under duress—in fact, that her life was endangered. Having represented this state of affairs to the cabinet, after a long discussion the decision above noted was reached and the office will not be re-opened until the people in the district are ready to accept this woman as their postmaster.

During the afternoon the President discussed with several members of the cabinet other features of the case of Mrs. Cox, Postmaster General Payne being in conference with the President for an hour or more. It was decided, finally, to issue a formal statement concerning the Indianola case. Secretary Cortelyou, for the President, made public the following:

President's Statement.

"The postmaster at Indianola, Miss., is Mrs. Minnie M. Cox, a colored woman. She served three years as postmaster under President Harrison. When President McKinley came in she was again appointed in 1897, nearly six years ago. Her character and standing in the community are endorsed by the best and most reputable people in the town. Among those on her bond is the present Democratic State senator from the district, together with the leading banker of Indianola, and an ex-State senator from the district, also a Democrat. The postmaster and her husband own from ten to fifteen thousand dollars worth of property in Sunflower county. The reports of postoffice inspectors who have investigated the office from time to time show that she has given the utmost satisfaction to all the patrons of the office, that she is at all times courteous, faithful, competent and honest in the discharge of her duties. Her moral standing in the community is of the highest. Her reputation is of the best. Few offices of this grade in any State are conducted better.

Resignation Was Forced.

"The postmaster recently forwarded her resignation to take effect on January 1st, but the report of inspectors and information received from various reputable white citizens of the town in the neighborhood show that the resignation was forced by a brutal and lawless element purely upon the ground of her color and was obtained under terror of threats of physical violence. The mayor of the town and the sheriff of the county both told the postoffice inspector that if she refused to resign they could not be answerable for her safety, although at the same time no word was said against her management of the office. On January 1st, the bondsmen of the postmaster telegraphed that the postoffice was closed, that the postmaster claimed that her resignation was in the President's hands to take effect January 1st, and there had been no advice of the appointment of her successor. The telegram closed with this statement: 'Prompt action necessary for relief of business interests.'

A Flagrant Outrage.

"In the view of the President the relief of the business interests, which are being injured solely by the action of the lawless element of the town, is wholly secondary to the preservation of law and the assertion of the fundamental principle that this government will not connive at or tolerate wrong and outrage of such flagrant character.

"By direction of the President the following telegram was sent by the postmaster general to the bondsmen:

"'The postmaster's resignation has been received, but not accepted. In view of the fact that the office at Indianola is closed, all mail addressed to that office will be forwarded to Greenville.'

"The papers in the case have been sent to the attorney general for action."

THE ARBITRATION PROPOSAL

Conditions Which President Castro Attached to His Response.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The condition which President Castro attached to his response to the allies, arbitration proposal was in the nature of an alternative proposition. Almost from the beginning showing an aversion to The Hague tribunal, Castro, while accepting the principle of arbitration, asked that the case be tried by one of the American republics. As President Roosevelt has already declined to act in the capacity of arbitrator, and as some of the reasons which inspired him in his declination would apply with equal force to the chief executive of any other American State than the United States, he was obliged to withhold any endorsement of this proposition of President Castro. Therefore, it may be dismissed from the field of possibilities, and unless Castro is unexpectedly insistent upon his own plan, the original proposition of reference to The Hague tribunal will carry.

FIRE AT GADSDEN, ALA.

One Man Was Burned to Death—Property Loss $20,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

GADSDEN, ALA., Jan. 2.—Fire started early this morning in a room over the Cudahy Packing Company and quickly spread to the Dr. T. C. Turrentine Wholesale Grocery Store and Turrentine Bottling Works. Three stores, with their contents, were destroyed. The loss is estimated at $20,000, partially insured. Joseph Wilson, in whose room the fire is said to have originated, was burned to death, and W. H. Gewin, who occupied the room with him, had a narrow escape.

For Whooping Cough use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.

For sale by J. C. Shepard.

ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.

Proceedings at the Meeting of the American Association—Work of the Department of Agriculture.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The American Association for the Advancement of Science to-day agreed to ask President Roosevelt to appoint a physician as a member of the Isthmian canal commission.

The following were appointed as a committee to secure a suitable memorial to Dr. Reed, the army surgeon who performed notable work in improving the sanitary conditions in Cuba: D. C. Gilman, Alexander Graham Bell, ex-Surgeon General Sternberg, U. S. A., Seth Low, J. G. Schurman, W. H. Welsh, A. S. Hewitt, G. S. Minot and S. E. Chaille.

The feature of the sessions of the section on social and economic science was a review of the work of the Department of Agriculture by their chiefs. Professor Willis L. Moore, chief of the Weather Bureau, said that it cost $1,270,000 a year to make the forecasts, that the frost warnings of a few days ago in Florida saved millions of dollars to the people of that State, and the warning of a single cold wave recently saved shippers $4,000,000.

Many addresses were delivered at the session of the various sections.

Professor B. E. Fernow, of the Agricultural Department, discussing the timber supply outlook in the United States, said that a calculation of the present stand of virgin timber in the United States ready to supply the demand for lumber, showed the improbability, if not impossibility, of the United States meeting the increasing demand for lumber another thirty years, under present methods of utilization.

CHARGED WITH MURDER.

Mrs. Leila Manson and George Wilson Alleged to Have Killed Wilson's Mother at Warrenville, Conn.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ASHFORD, CONN., Jan. 2.—Mrs Leila Manson and George Wilson, who have been held in Brooklyn, Conn, jail by order of Coroner Bill, on account of suspicion that the death of Wilson's mother was due to poisoning, were today taken to Warrenville for a preliminary hearing.

Dr. Harvey H. Converse, of Eastford, who attended Mrs. Wilson during her sickness, testified that Mrs. Wilson told the witness on November 19th that she wished to get rid of the Mansion woman. Her son George heard the remark and declared if Mrs. Mansion left the house he should go too. Dr. Converse advised Mrs. Wilson to let them both go. Witness said he did not give any medicine which contained arsenic. Dr. Wolff, of Hartford, the chemist who examined the internal organs of the dead woman, testified that while his examination was not complete, he had found arsenic sufficient, in his opinion, to make it positive that the woman died of arsenical poisoning.

At the conclusion of the testimony of the State's witnesses, George Wilson and Mrs. Manson were remanded to jail without bail for trial before the Superior Court next March on the charge of murder, probable cause having been found by Justice Knowlton.

COUNTERFEITERS CAUGHT.

Arrests Made by Secret Service Men at Wilmington, Del.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, DEL., January 2—Secret Service Agent George F. Foster, of Washington, after a long investigation, succeeded in locating a counterfeiters' den at 538 West Second street, this city, and to-day it was raided by the police. Biagni Maleroso, better known as "Mike Ross," Sathia Maleroso, his wife, and Nicola Di Paco, his brother-in-law, were arrested and the plant captured. It was an unusually large one, comprising ten molds, a number of mixing pots, dies, presses and other counterfeiting paraphernalia.

Seizure Near Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 2.—Secret Service Agent Griffin, accompanied by several detectives, to-day raided a counterfeiters' plant at Norristown, about sixteen miles from here. They captured Tony Julian, Mary his wife; Dominico, his mother; Seatio Julian, his cousin; Captio and Casnio Ferri, all Italians. Julian resisted arrest and attempted to stab Griffin, who escaped injury by throwing his assailant. Julian is said to be the ring-leader. He conducted a small shoe store and is believed to have utilized the shop as a medium for distributing spurious dollars and twenty-five cent pieces.

The prisoners were brought to the city and held by United States Commissioner Craig for a further hearing Monday.

The Secret Service operatives expressed the belief that the Italians captured in the raid at Wilmington, Del., to-day, were working in conjunction with the Norristown counterfeiters.

FUEL OIL FAILING.

New Orleans Without Supply—Furnaces Being Changed to Burn Coal.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 2.—New Orleans is now without a supply of fuel oil and all the furnaces recently converted to the use of oil burners are being changed back, so that coal may be used. Only one concern in this city, the Lone Star and Crescent, has been supplying fuel oil. In the last few days it has sent circulars to its customers saying that after January 1st, it would be no longer able to supply oil to them. The company states that it is unable to get sufficient oil from Beaumont to meet the wants of its customers.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S FLEET.

The Combined Squadrons Have Reassembled at Culebra.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—The Navy Department has received the following cablegram from Admiral Dewey, dated San Juan, P. R.:

"Combined squadrons reassembled at Culebra; visits to various West Indian ports most cordially welcomed; effect excellent in every respect; fleet continuing tactical exercise; marine and torpedo flotilla engaged in special drills, including night attack by the latter upon designated ships; E. B. Ralley, coal-passer, drowned in the sinking of one of the Newark's steam cutters by collision with torpedo boat."

Mother: If baby has a cough or cold, Anway's Croup Syrup will cure him and give all hands a good night's sleep. It is safe to give babies and no home is safe without a bottle on hand. Thousands use it; every mother who has used it will testify to its merits. 25 cts. at Robt. R. Bellamy's. †

BUILDINGS WERE SWALLOWED UP.

Mine Workings Beneath the Heart of the Town of Olyphant, Pa., Caved In.

A LARGE HOTEL ENGULFED.

Other Buildings Disappeared—The Settling Was Gradual and No Lives Were Lost--Nothing Was Saved from the Buildings.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SCRANTON, Pa., Jan. 2.—Abandoned workings of the Eddy Creek colliery of the Delaware and Hudson Company, beneath the heart of the town of Olyphant, caved in this afternoon and engulfed frame buildings covering an aggregate ground space of six thousand square feet.

The settling was gradual and people in the affected territory escaped without being immediately endangered. A gang of men and boys who were at work in the same mine beyond the fall encountered a flooded "dip" or depression in a vein in making their way out by a circuitous route and had to swim from one rise to the other. No one either above or below ground, however, sustained any injury.

At 3 o'clock the settling began. At 3:30 it was no longer perceptible. In the intervening half hour O'Brien's three-story hotel, Miss Ann Evans double dwelling, Mrs. Jane Ackerly's double store building and a one-story barber shop were a mound of debris in the yawning pile, with the uppermost part of the mound forty feet below the surface. O'Brien's hotel, which plunged first into the opening, has entirely disappeared. A few houses are projecting over the edge of the pit. The vein that caved in is 115 feet below the surface.

The settling started in the street just in front of the hotel property. The brick street pavement was seen to be working and telegraph poles and trees along the curb were noticed to be wobbling. The cause was at once apparent and the alarm was given to all the neighborhood. Two sick guests were removed from the hotel and taken two blocks away to a private house. Some attempt was made at saving the contents of the buildings, but the rapidly increasing size of the opening in the street put a stop to this and every one fled from the neighborhood.

Twenty minutes after the disturbance was first noticed the opening had widened until it reached all the way across the street and half way beneath the O'Brien hotel. Then with a terrific crash, the hotel pitched forward, turned completely about and landed on its roof in the bottom of the abyss. A moment later the adjoining double dwelling of Mrs. Evans fell over the edge and demolished itself on the ruins of the hotel. The Ackerly double store building and the Evans barber shop property slid into the chasm about the same time, and piled themselves, broken and twisted, on the other debris

To-night it is confidently believed there will be no further settling, but no one went to bed to-night in any building within fifty yards of the disturbed area.

The property damage is estimated at $30,000. District Superintendent Bennett, of the Delaware and Hudson, went into the mine and with a party of other officials, made an examination about 5 o'clock. They came out and reported that the settling had ceased.

THE PACIFIC CABLE.

Communication With Manila Expected by the Fourth of July Next.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Clarence Mackay, president; George J. Ward, vice president and general manager, and the other officials of the Commercial Pacific Cable Company, are greatly pledged at the completion of the company's cable between San Francisco and Hawaii. Speaking of the project Mr. Ward said:

"The widespread interest created by bringing the Hawaiian islands into electric touch with the Pacific coast, is evidenced by continual cablegrams received today. Great progress is being made in the manufacture of the section to be laid between Honolulu and Manila; over 3,500 miles of this cable has already been manufactured. I fully expect messages will be exchanged with Manila by the fourth of July next. The laying of the remaining sections will commence from Manila the first week in May next."

TOY PISTOL FATALITIES.

The List at Norfolk, Va., Has Reached a Total of Six.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Jan. 2.—The list of fatalities from lockjaw caused by powder burns from toy pistols on Christmas was increased by two to-day and has reached a total of six, while several other children are being treated. Raymond Joyner, white, five years old, and Sam Wilkins, colored, nine years old, died to-day.

Mayor James G. Riddick has ordered the police to confiscate all toy pistols found in the possession of children.

LATER—Two more boys died to-night from the effects of lockjaw caused by powder burns. They were Lewis Calvert, aged 9, and George Wright, Associated Press messenger, aged 10 years.

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

No Confirmation or Denial of Reported Changes of Officials.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Jan. 2.—Vice President and General Manager J. M. Barr, of the Seaboard Air Line, refused to-night to confirm or deny the report that Major F. K. Huger, superintendent of the second division of the Seaboard Air Line, would be named officially to-morrow as superintendent of the Seaboard system, to succeed M. D. Maher, resigned. It is generally believed on the outside that he will be appointed. Major Huger and Mr. Barr were together in conference to-day for some time.

Clifford S. Cook, who holds a responsible position with the Sharon Steel Company, of Sharon, Pa., received a bullet wound yesterday that will likely result fatally. It is said the wound was self-inflicted, although his friends adhere to the statement that it was accidental.

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SENATOR HOAR'S BILL TO CONTROL TRUSTS.

Measure to Be Introduced in the Senate. Goes to Committee on Judiciary, of Which the Senator is Chairman.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Senator Hoar has completed and to day made public the anti-trust bill which he asked leave before the Senate adjourned for the holidays to introduce. The bill goes to the Committee on Judiciary, of which Senator Hoar is chairman. It is entitled "A Bill for the Regulation of Trusts and Corporations Engaged in International or Interstate Commerce."

The first section continues in force the present interstate commerce act and the so-called Sherman anti-trust law. Section 2 appropriates $500,000 to enable the Attorney General to prosecute offences under this and existing acts, and authorizes him to employ necessary assistance. Section 3 provides that after June 30, 1904, "no corporation, joint stock company or other association whose stockholders are not personally liable for their debts, created by any State or territory, shall engage in commerce with foreign nations or among the several States, or continue to carry on such commerce, unless it shall comply with the following conditions:

"First. It shall file a statement in the office of the interstate commission, signed and sworn to by its president, its treasurer, its general manager and a majority of its directors or by the persons exercising the powers usually exercised by such officers and directors of such corporations, joint stock companies, and other associations, on or before the fifteenth day of September, in the year nineteen hundred and four, and shall on or before the fifteenth day of September in each year thereafter file a like statement for the year ending with the thirtieth day of June in said years, respectively, showing: The amount of its capital stock; the market value of the same.

"Fourth. How much of the same has been paid in full in cash; or if the same has not been paid in full in cash, what has been received by said corporation, joint stock company, or other association in lieu thereof, and the value of whatever shall have been so received by it.

"Fifth. The names of all the officers and directors of such corporation, joint stock company, or other association, and all agents intrusted with the general management of its affairs.

"Sixth. The amount it has paid in dividends during said period, the rate of percentage of such dividends and times of paying the same.

"Seventh. A statement of all the stock owned by it or any other corporation, joint stock company, or other association, specifying the corporation, joint stock company, or other association, and the number and value of shares in each, the amount of its own stock held by other corporations, joint stock companies or other associations, and the value thereof; and the amount of stock in other corporations, joint stock companies, or other associations held in trust for it, or in which it has any interest, directly or indirectly, absolute or conditional, legal or equitable, specifying the corporations, joint stock companies, or other associations.

"Eighth. An undertaking signed by said officers, general managers and directors that they will comply with the provisions of this and all other laws of the United States in the management of affairs of said corporations, joint stock companies, or other associations; and that they accept the provisions and liabilities of this act, and the obligations by it imposed so long as they shall continue to hold or exercise said office authority. The attorney of the United States may at any time require of any corporation, joint stock company or other association so engaged, any statement he may think fit in regard to the conduct of its business. And he may especially require any such corporation, joint stock company, or any other association to give a list of all contracts or transactions entered into within the twelve months preceding such requisition, in which it has sold any article or product at a rate less than the ordinary market price, if such article or product had been sold or carried by any other person than the party to such transaction. And he may further require the reasons for such distinction and the circumstances attending the same."

Section four provides:

"That every person, corporation, joint stock company or other association engaged in commerce with foreign nations or among the several States who shall enter into any contract, combination or conspiracy, or who shall give any direction or authority to do any act for the purpose of driving out of business any other person engaged therein, or who for such purpose shall in the course of such commerce sell any article or product at less than its fair market value, or at a less price than it is accustomed to demand or receive therefor in any other place under like conditions, or undertaking that it shall be sold again by the purchaser, or restrain such sale by the purchaser, shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding one year, or both said punishments, in the discretion of the court."

Section five forbids any corporation whose stock is controlled by another corporation from engaging in interstate commerce if the controlling corporation violates this act. Section six provides that the books of corporations shall be subject to inspection by the attorney general. In section seven presidents, directors and other officers and agents of the corporation who take part in action violative of this act are made liable to the penalties provided.

Section eight forbids interstate commerce to corporations "which shall manufacture or produce any article which in the course of business is habitually sold and delivered beyond the State in which it is manufactured and which shall in the course of its own domestic business do any of the acts or the things prohibited to be done by this act."

Section nine provides that corporations twice adjudged to have violated provisions of this act, who shall thereafter violate the act, "shall no longer be allowed to engage in commerce with foreign nations or among the several States; provided, that such prohibition shall only be enforced after such corporation, joint stock company, or other association, shall have been enjoined against further engaging in such business, on an information or suit brought in a United States court of competent jurisdiction by the attorney general in behalf of the government. It shall be the duty of the attorney general in any such case, unless he shall be satisfied that such corporation, joint stock company, or other association has desisted and abstained and will in future desist and abstain from such violation, to enforce the provision by proceeding either by information or by indictment, as he may in his discretion think best.

"If, in the judgment of the attorney general, such corporation, joint stock company, or other association against which any civil proceedings may be instituted be one on which the public is so depending that the interruption of its business will cause serious public loss or inconvenience, he may in his discretion refrain from proceeding to obtain a decree which will absolutely prevent the continuance of such business, and may apply for a limited or conditional decree, or one to take effect at a future day, as the public interests shall seem to require."

The court is authorized to enter a modified or conditional decree, or such decree to take effect at a future time, as justice shall require.

Section ten provides that corporations and their officers and agents who engage in such business in violation of this act, "shall for each offence, in addition to such penalty for contempt as the court in case of disobedience to its lawful order may impose, be punished by a fine not exceeding five thousand dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both said punishments, in the discretion of the court."

Section eleven makes corporation officers who violate or consent to the violation of this act, "shall thereafter be personally liable for all debts and obligations of any such corporation, joint stock company or other association created while such person holds such office or appointment."

FOUR MEN KILLED

New York Flyer in Collision With a Wild Engine.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

BURLINGTON, VT., January 2.—A wild engine running from Burlington to Rutland, on the Rutland railroad, crashed into the north bound flyer from New York to-night at Shelbourne. The crews of both engines were killed, and a brakeman who was riding on the wild engine was probably fatally hurt, and nearly every one of the flyer's crew was injured, more or less seriously. No passenger was seriously hurt, although many received bruises.

The flyer was on schedule time. The impact of the collision was terrific and only the heaviness of the flyer prevented a greater disaster. As it was, both engines were totally demolished, the boiler of one exploding.

THE SUGAR TRUST.

The So-called Equality or Factor Plan to Be Done Away With.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—The so called equality or factor plan in the sugar trade will be done away with by the American Sugar Refining Company to-morrow, and granulated will be quoted at 4.65 cents per pound net 30 days, less 1 per cent. for cash, without rebate. The plan has been followed by the refiners for a year. By it the grocers received protection to the extent of 25 cents per hundred pounds. The claim is made that as the grocers have not adhered to the terms they made and failed to sell by the factor plan terms, this step becomes necessary. Hereafter all sales will be on a net cash basis.

WARM WIRELETS

Jack Brown, a negro convict, was hanged at the Virginia State penitentiary yesterday for the murder a short time ago of a fellow convict.

The directors of the Rock Island Company—the new company—have declared a quarterly dividend of 1 per cent. on the preferred stock.

Total bank clearings for the week ended January 1 are $1,857,682,377; decrease 11 2 per cent. Outside New York, $703,865,485; decrease 1.8 per cent.

The Dutch steamer Dordrecht, Captain Vesser, from Pensacola December 23 for Bremen, has arrived at Hamilton, Bermuda, in distress. The cargo in the forehold is on fire.

A quantity of dynamite exploded in one of the gangways of the Oakhill colliery, one mile north of Minersville, Pa., instantly killing three miners and injuring a dozen others.

The British steamer Hornby Castle, Captain Jackman, arrived at Antwerp December 30 from Galveston and landed the crew of the schooner Jessie, of St. Johns, N. F., which vessel sank.

The Pope of Rome is about to issue an encyclical against the practice of duelling. He will appeal to all Christian governments to suppress the practice, which is described as a survival of the middle ager.

Prof. Dominico Barnota, a teacher of languages, was shot dead in the home of Guiseppe B. Pasca in New York city last night. Pasca and his son have disappeared. Mrs. Pasca, her two daughters and a young man, have been arrested by the police.

Miss Clara Ware, aged ten years, is dead in Madison county, Miss. Miss Ware was deaf and dumb and was never known to have uttered an intelligible word until a few hours before her death, when she called upon members of the family to come to her.

A delegation of members of the faculty and of the board of visitors of the University of Virginia at Charlottesville, called upon President Roosevelt to invite him to attend the commencement exercises of the University to be held on June 16th next.

The Bolivian minister at Washington has received a cablegram saying that the Bolivian government has signed a treaty for arbitration with the republic of Peru to settle the boundary question. The arbitrator selected is the Argentine government.

The New Orleans and San Francisco railroad has been chartered with capital stock of $5,000,000. The object of the corporation is to build a line of railroad from New Orleans by way of Arkansas to Chicago. The organization is in connection with the entrance of the 'Frisco into New Orleans.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

☞ Notices For Rent or Sale, Lost or Found, Wants, and other short Miscellaneous advertisements inserted in this Department, in solid Nonpariel Type, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents. Terms positively cash in advance.

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Mechanics Home Association opens a new series of Building and Loan stock twice a year (January and July). The 25th series will be opened January 3rd, 1903. Payments 25 cents a share per week. N. Jacobi, President. W. M. Cumming, Secretary. we fr sa dec 19 14t

Notice—The tug-boat Lachiquita having been sold by J. L. Russ to Peter Simpson, all persons having claims against said boat will present them to me within thirty days from the date of this notice. This the 18th day of December, 1902. Robert G. Grady. dec 19 30t

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January 2, 1903,

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